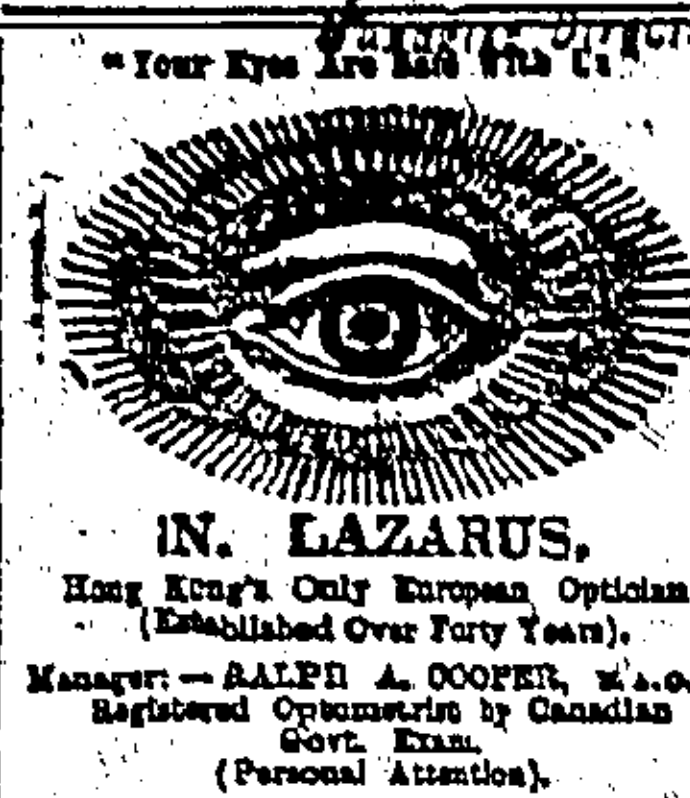


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UNDER THE PUNKAH.

By J. PENN.

I have been discussing with Bottelthwaite this idea which has been put forward of making Hong Kong an "all-British Godown." My old friend was quite enthusiastic about the scheme, and wanted to start operations at once. His plan was to organize a society to be called "British Business Boosters," and proceed forthwith to pitch all non-British goods in the Colony into the harbour—all same Boston tea-party in good King George's glorious days. I pointed out, however, that such action would certainly get Bottelthwaite into trouble with the Harbourmaster, and probably lead to his appearance at the Marine Court on a charge of dumping without a licence. "If there is to be any dumping, George," I said, "let it be done with becoming dignity and decorum."

Bottelthwaite heartily agrees that none but British goods should be landed in Hong Kong. He would go further, and authorizes me to say that in his opinion the Chinese people should import none but British products and manufactures. George is now engaged in drafting an Anglo-Chinese Treaty of Commerce and Navigation, copies of which he intends to send in triplicate to the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs in London just as soon as the General Election is over. I have the privilege of being able to reveal some exclusive inside information concerning this most important diplomatic document, the coming-into-operation of which will bring about a revolution in world economics. It will solve the unemployment problem at home, the water problem in Hong Kong, the opium problem in China, and the Manchurian problem in Manchuria. Even the question of the Kau Sing will be finally disposed of.

"Know all men by these presents," Bottelthwaite begins, "that whereas the people of China are in sore need of many things, and the people of Great Britain, Northern Ireland, and East London are in great need of many customers and much cash for their goods, it is hereby agreed and understood to wit notwithstanding any and all other Treaties, Conventions, Agreements which may or may not exist *de facto, de jure, or de trop* and without prejudice real or imaginary—but it is not really necessary just now to quote the preamble in full. Suffice to say that it is a perambulatory as such things always are. Here is the dinkum oil or the brass tacks, as you may prefer."

1.—None but British ships shall enter or leave the ports of China.
2.—None but British subjects shall be signed on the articles of such ships, providing they are willing to accept reasonable rates of wages. [The word "reasonable" shall be interpreted by the owners, whose decision shall be final.]

3.—None but British produce and manufactures shall be carried as freight upon the said British ships entering Chinese ports.

4.—None but British firms and individuals shall be permitted to establish themselves in China as importers. [The word "British" shall be subsequently defined categorically and irrevocably by a special committee of experts whose nationality has been accepted as established by the Aliens Department at Bow Street prior to 1914.]

5.—No Chinese shall import German beer, Russian caviare, American chewing-gum, Jewish harps, Italian vermouth, Swedish drill, French beans, Dutch cheese, Spanish onions, Austrian velours, Swiss rolls, Brazil nuts, Turkish delight, or any other foreign product or manufacture whatsoever under penalty of decapitation and fine (payable prior to that event) at the rate of not less than 1,000 (one thousand) dollars Mexican milligrams of such prohibited import, including packing, but excluding B.I. insurance policies, and make's receipt.

6.—Full payment for goods ordered by Chinese firms and individuals shall be made at the time of the importer booking the orders, settlement to be made at the worst possible rate of exchange then procurable. In the event of a still more unfavourable rate being negotiable prior to or on arrival of the goods, the consignee to make up this loss to the importer before delivery is granted.

7.—The foregoing rule shall not work both ways, but only in the direction stated as aforesaid.

8.—No claims for delay, damage, short delivery, non-delivery, breach of contract and/or warranty, or on any and every other pretext whatsoever may be made or will be entertained, thereby ensuring complete absence of unpleasant friction and controversy between Chinese and British merchants.

9.—The National Government of China shall guarantee that the total import of British produce and manufactures into its domain, terrain, and desmesne shall be equivalent to 100 (one hundred) dollars per capita of population per annum of time. Failure to maintain this average shall necessitate the National Treasury making good the deficit by a grant from its coffers. Exchange shall be arranged through not less than 10 (ten) or more than 50 (fifty) brokers, all British (see Clause 4 (four)), and all acting independently to the best advantage of their own interests.

10.—In regard to exports from China, and in order to save time and ink and paper, it is hereby understood and agreed that all and every of the foregoing regulations and restrictions shall also apply to the export trade from

Chinese ports, but that whenever the British Government feels disposed to regulate and restrict the export trade of China, the National Government of China shall respect the said wishes of the said British Government, and while agreeing to the complete suspension of export business until such time as British exports are disposed to resume trade in part or in full, the Chinese Government shall adequately compensate the said British merchants for loss of profits resulting from such suspension of business aforesaid. [Any dispute as to what constitutes "adequate" compensation shall be referred to a committee of all-British merchants, whose decision shall be final.]

Bottelthwaite believes that an Anglo-Chinese Treaty of Friendship and amity on these lines would go a long way towards removing the doubts and uncertainties which now cause British merchants in China so many sleepless nights. In regard to Hong Kong, George does not agree with the theory that this Colony is suited geographically to be the godown of South and North China. Bottelthwaite points out a very important fact which appears to have been generally overlooked—namely, that Hong Kong is nearer South China than it is to the Northern provinces. This being so, our old friend suggests that the island be moved to an equidistant point between Shanghai and Canton. This could be easily accomplished by utilising the Kau Sing to tow a fleet of lighters up and down the coast, transporting the Colony by sections to a more convenient spot. And here comes a real stroke of genius—Bottelthwaite proposes, once the latitude and longitude of Hong Kong has been definitely changed, to allow all the non-British merchants in the Colony to settle on the island once more, and then leave them to make a living by taking in each other's washing. George expects to get an O.B.E. for all this—Orl British Enterprise.

Dying grandmothers are at a discount in the Colony among junior requiring half-days off from the office. The pet journalist of the D.P. approached the news editor with a winning smile yesterday, "Can I have the afternoon off, please, sir?" he queried. "Why?" snapped the busy Ed. "Grandmother dead!" "No, sir, but I want to take a bath before the water is turned off!" He got it!

A lady went into a chemist's shop and said: "Have you any Life Booy?" "The foks had been educated in his youth in the United States and replied: "Set the pace, lady!"

Diary of Coming Events.

To-day.

(May 18.)

Fifth Extra Race Meeting.
Happy Valley.
Golf: Whitsuntide Meeting, Fanling.

Lawn Bowls:—Division I: Kowloon Docks v. Civil Service, Craigengower v. Recreation, Police v. Kowloon C.C., Tai Koo v. Kowloon Bowling Green, Division II: Recreation v. Craigengower, Civil Service v. H.K. Electric, Kowloon Bowling Green v. Tai Koo.

Lawn Tennis:—"A" Division: M.B.K. v. Chinese R.C., Craigengower v. H.K.C.C., Kowloon C.C. v. Recreation, South China v. University. "B" Division: Kowloon C.C. v. R.E. and R.S., Recreation v. Hong Kong C.C., University v. Nippon, M.C.C. v. South China, Indian R.C. v. Chinese R.C. "C" Division: B.A.O.C. v. H.K.C.C., Recreation v. Craigengower, Chinese R.C. v. South China, Civil Service v. Indian R.C.

Queen's Theatre: "The Cosacks."
World Theatre: "The Street Angel."

Star Theatre: "A Kiss for Cinderella."
Banvard English Comedy Co.: "Looky Nook," Star Theatre, 9.15 p.m.

Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Peninsula Hotel, 4.30 p.m.
Dinner Dance: Peninsula Hotel, 8.30 p.m.

European Mails:—Inward: Europe via Siberia (Kamo Maru). Outward: Europe via Siberia (Altai Maru), 10 a.m.

Sunday.

(May 19.)

Golf: Whitsuntide Meeting, Fanling.

Queen's Theatre: "Wickedness Preferred."

World Theatre: "Buttons."

Star Theatre: "The Wise Virgin."

Banvard English Comedy Co.: "The Fanatics," Star Theatre, 9.15 p.m.

European Mails:—Inward: Europe via Negapatam (Medon). Outward: Europe via Marseilles (Kamo Maru), 9.30 a.m.; Europe via Siberia (Yingchow), 9 a.m.

Monday.

(May 20.)

Extra Race Meeting, Happy Valley.
Queen's Theatre: "Wickedness Preferred."
World Theatre: "Buttons."

Star Theatre: "The Wise Virgin."

Banvard English Comedy Co.: "Thank," Star Theatre, 9.15 p.m.

Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Peninsula Hotel, 4.30 p.m.

Dinner Dance: Peninsula Hotel, 8.30 p.m.

European Mails:—Inward: London via Straits, parcels (Tydus). Outward: Europe via San Francisco and via Siberia (Pres. McKinley), noon.

Tuesday.

(May 21.)

Sale of Crown Land, New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1234, P.W.D. Office, 3 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "The Port of Missing Girls."

World Theatre: "The Awful Truth."

Star Theatre: "Ramshackle House."

English Comedy Co.: "Thank," Star Theatre, 9.15 p.m.

Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Peninsula Hotel, 4.30 p.m.

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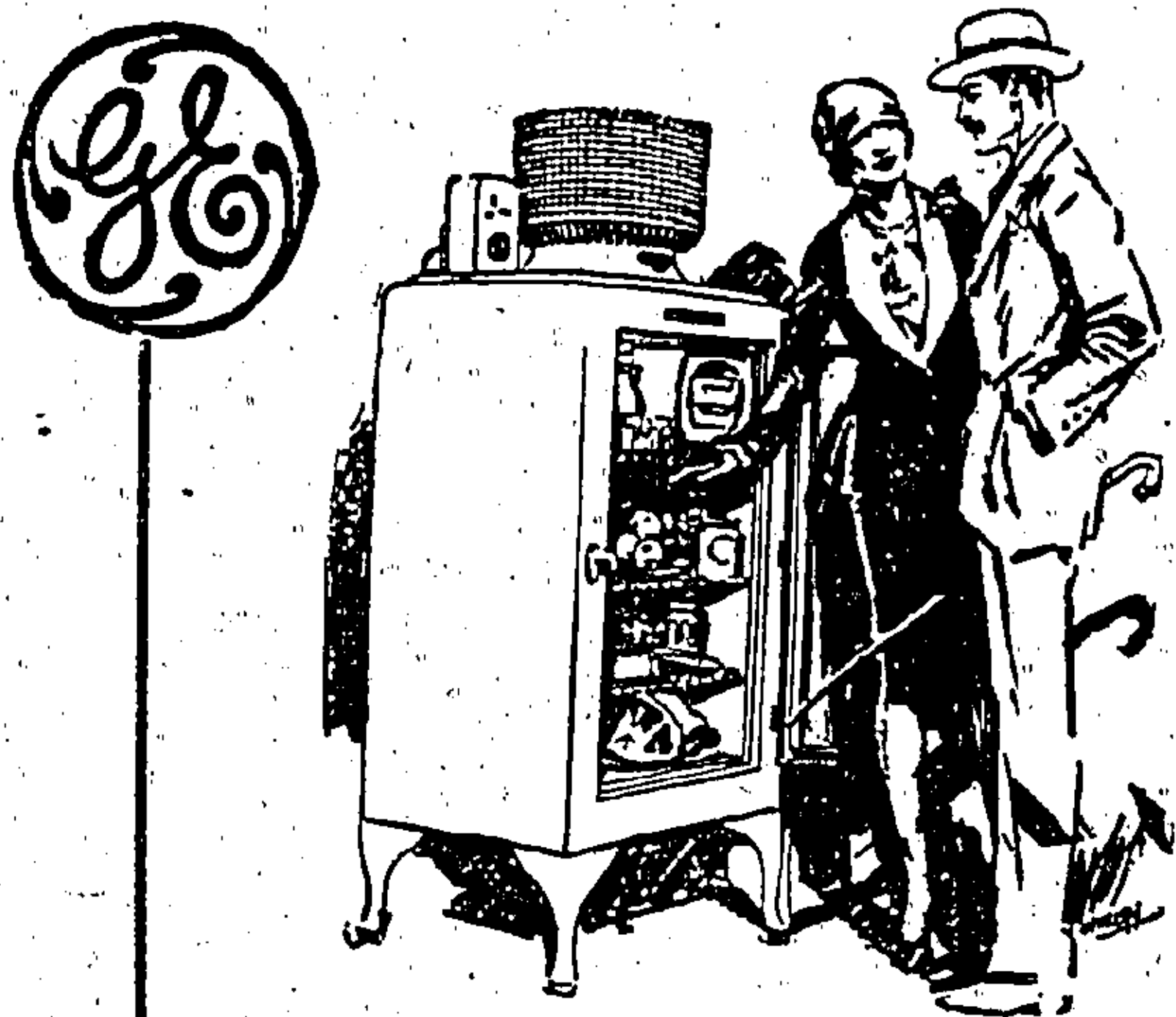
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TWO-MEN COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

Walter Alfred Kurtz, 19, a wood machinist, of Kingsland-road, Shoreditch, and Albert Jones, 39, and George Johnson, 38, both described as labourers, of no fixed abode, were charged on remand at Old-street Police Court, with assaulting Francis Horsman, a rent collector, employed by the L.C.C., with intent to rob him, at Horner Houses, Shoreditch.

When the case was previously before the Court it was stated that the correct name of Jones was Albert Bloomfield, and that of Johnson, Charles William Shepherd.

Mr. Horsman said that when he had almost completed his collection of the rents, he felt a heavy blow at the back of his neck. He reeled and saw two men whom he could not recognize. He fell, and was immediately attacked from behind.

Statement was "A Lie." In his coat, which he felt being pulled, was about £130 which he had collected. He resisted his attackers and tried to rise, but was struck a heavy blow on the nose, his spectacles being broken. He continued his resistance and received a heavy blow on the side of the head.

He shouted and the men, alarmed by the screams of a number of women, went off. He had about £30 in silver in one pocket. This fell out in the struggle and he afterwards found that £25 was missing.

Mr. Clarke Hall discharged Kurtz, remarking: "It is your duty as a good citizen to give any information you can to the police as to what happened."

Kurtz was called as a witness by Jones, and stated that he did not know anything of what happened on the day in question. He was not with the two prisoners then, and the statement he made to the police was a lie.

Jones and Johnson, who pleaded "Not Guilty" and reserved their defence, were committed to the Central Criminal Court. They were further committed on charges of being suspected persons loitering with intent to commit a felony and with being, subject to the Prevention of Crimes Act. They pleaded "Not Guilty" to these charges also.

FATE INTERVENED.

WOULD-BE BIGAMIST CONFRONTED BY WIFE.

Confronted by his wife, after arranging to marry another girl, Percy George Williams, professional footballer, of Yeovil and Peters United, and late of Bristol City, and who lives at Talbot-street, Yeovil, appeared before the local magistrates on a charge of making a false declaration of marriage.

For the Public Prosecutor, Mr. B. G. Saywell, stated that defendant was married at Bristol in March, 1921. Later, he was separated from his wife by an order of the justices. About May last he commenced to keep company with a girl, named Kathleen Lena Miles, of Yeovil, and as a result of their friendship she was now in a certain condition. Williams went to the Yeovil register office, and, in giving notice of marriage to Miss Miles, described himself as a bachelor.

He later attested the certificate, but fate intervened, and before the ceremony could take place information which reached the girl's parents led them to confront Williams with his wife.

He pleaded guilty, and was fined £5.

ENGLAND'S SADDEST WOMAN.

FOUR TIMES BAULKED OF MARRIAGE.

Birmingham.—Death has four times thwarted Miss Madge Gunner, a governess in this city, of becoming a married woman. After the death of her fourth fiancé, just two days before the wedding day, Miss Gunner forever renounced the idea of marrying.

This succession of love tragedies started during the war when Miss Gunner became engaged to a young officer. On the night he was to have left the front line trenches to come home to her, he was killed by a rifle grenade.

"My next fiancé," Miss Gunner said in an interview, "was an airman. He was killed in a crash on the Saturday before the Monday on which we were to have been married. Four years later I became engaged to an engineer. Two days before our wedding we had lunch together. He left me at the end of the meal to inspect a building under construction. He was killed by a crane."

Additional sorrows have come into Miss Gunner's life during the past year. Her father and mother, both in Australia, died without her having seen them for years. Her only brother was recently drowned at sea.

A CHESS VETERAN OF 80.

HONOUR FOR NOTED CITY PLAYER.

A large gathering of members of the City of London Chess Club assembled at the club's headquarters in Wardrobe Court, Doctor's Commons recently, to honour the octogenarian hon. secretary of the club, Mr. J. Walter Russell.

Mr. Russell, who has been the club's secretary since 1899, celebrated his eightieth birthday on January 4. In appreciation of his devoted service to the club, he was presented with a bankers' draft for £133 17s. 9d., together with an illuminated address signed by seventy-two members of the club.

Speeches were made by the Hon. G. F. Hamilton Russell, who presided; Mr. C. D. Morton, president of the club; Mr. E. Macdonald, hon. secretary of the testimonial; Mr. G. Marozzy (Hungarian champion), on behalf of the International Master; and by Mr. L. P. Rees, on behalf of the British Chess Federation.

Mr. Russell's chess activities have not been confined to his labour as club secretary. He was president of the Southern Counties Chess Union in 1900, and president of the London Chess League, 1903, 1904, and 1905.

He was joint hon. secretary of the London International Chess Congress in 1909, when the competitors included Dr. Lasker, Steinitz, Pillsbury, Schlechter, Janowski, Marozzy, Teichgrin, Blackburne, Showalter and other celebrities, and where the present American champion, F. J. Marshall, won his title of "Master" by winning the first prize in an important minor tournament.

In 1900 Mr. Russell conducted an "invitation tournament" promoted by the City of London Chess Club, in which six Masters participated, and five years later a National Tournament, with a large entry, including the Anglo-American Master W. Napier and the late R. Teichmann.

He was the moving spirit on this side of the Atlantic in six matches by cable between England and America for the trophy given by the late Sir George Newnes, which for several years has been in possession of the City of London Chess Club.

JURY SOLVE BEE MYSTERY.

BANK-BANDITS IN THE HIVE.

A jury in the Superior Court at Chicago has been asked to solve a bee mystery that might have puzzled Solomon.

The court buzzed for a week with the baffling bee business, learned counsel arguing and expert witnesses testifying on both sides.

Messrs. Ezra Ross and J. W. Cunneen sued the Rock Island Railway for \$210,000 damages, claiming that 175 hives of bees—some hundreds of thousands of them—had died on their first railway journey owing to the company's neglect.

The company did not dispute the demise, but there was much disagreement with regard to the cause. The two bee-keepers alleged that holes in the roof of the luggage-van in the train allowed the rain to come in and that the bees were either drowned outright or died slow deaths from exposure.

The railway company, on the other hand, produced a bevy of bee experts who told of the strange goings-on in a bee hive. Bees, said the experts, were not the industrious, peace-loving creatures generally supposed, but often were like hoodlums or bank-bandits.

One expert declared that bees were cannibal and consumed their young. Another testified they were too temperamental to travel on trains. Counsel for the company even advanced the theory that the bees had been killed by a swarm of wild bees, or, alternatively, had developed cannibal tendencies and eaten one another, or had buzzed about with excitement until they dropped dead.

The jury brought in a verdict of \$1,250 for the bee-keepers.

BLIND VIOLINIST DEAD.

STREET CONCERTS FOR THE LOVE OF ART.

A blind violinist, who had made himself known to thousands by playing, for the sheer love of it, in the streets of Kensington, died in London recently. He was Signor Alfredo Nardi.

Nardi, who was blinded in his youth by being struck by a stone, was a member of the Italian Royal Orchestra, and came to England in 1907. He gave recitals in the leading concert halls of London, Rome, and other cities.

The joy of music was so great to him that he often gave alfresco concerts in Kensington-gardens. Members of his street-corner audiences frequently invited him to go home with them and play in their houses. Latterly he had been living in reduced circumstances at his Baron's Court home, and had been glad of the coopers which appreciative passers-by showered on him.

RAID ON A FLAT.

POLICE FIND WOMAN PRESIDING AT GAMING TABLE.

Description of a raid by the police on a flat in Maida Vale during a game of chemin de fer was given at Marylebone, when Philip Hayes, 42, of Portdown-road, and his wife, Eve, 38, were charged with running a gambling house.

Mr. E. B. Knight, prosecuting, stated that, with a search warrant, Supp. Best and other officers raided the top flat of the premises. They found Mrs. Hayes seated at a baize-covered table with five other women and a man.

A game of chemin de fer was in progress.

Surprise for Party.

The party seemed very much surprised when the police entered. There was money on the table, and Mrs. Hayes, who had a gaming sheet in her hand, was acting as croupier. In the "kitty" was 13s., which meant—as the person running the game took it, in the 2—that £13 had gone through the bank.

"It must have been a pretty fast game," continued Mr. Knight, "for they had been playing only ten minutes, they said."

It seemed, he added, that the couple took the premises at a rental of three guineas a week, paid in advance, for the purpose of gambling, upon which they lived.

Insp. Smith gave evidence that he watched the premises after hearing conversations in public-houses in Maida Vale. Describing visits paid by people, some of whom arrived in taxicabs, he explained that they rang the top bell.

Supt. Best told the Court that Mrs. Hayes admitted that she was running the game, and asked, "Why do you come and do a small school like this? I am doing this to live." When Mr. Hayes entered he stated that it was not unlawful gaming. It was a private game among friends. The couple, according to the superintendent, had been doing very well at chemin de fer, and making a lot of money out of cards.

The magistrate, Mr. Hay Hal-kett, fined Mr. Hayes £20, with 3 guineas costs, and Mrs. Hayes £2, ordered the instruments of gaming to be destroyed.

PART-TIME CLERGY.

SUPPORT FOR A NEW PROJECT.

A resolution was carried unanimously at a meeting held in London recently, under the Bishop of Middleton, that "A motion in support of the project of voluntary clergy be brought forward for discussion at the earliest convenient opportunity in the Convocations of Canterbury and York, and in due course in the Church Assembly."

The project is that "voluntary clergy" should be ordained to the ministry of the Word and Sacraments, and to serve under licence of the Bishop without payment, but with permission to continue their secular avocations as a means of earning their livelihood.

Wider Conception.

The Bishop of Middleton said that the project should not be considered merely as a palliative to the present shortage of clergy.

Might there not be a providential purpose in the present situation? It might well be that the Church was being led to a new and wider conception of the priesthood to meet changing conditions.

A committee was elected to ensure that the resolution should be carried into effect, and it was hoped that the matter would be considered at the Lambeth Conference next year.

It is of interest to note that the South African Church has already authorised the ordination of a few such "voluntary priests."

CALIFORNIA CHANGES TRAFFIC LAWS.

San Francisco, Calif.—Elimination of county traffic officers in favour of a central State-controlled bureau with full jurisdiction will be placed in effect in California shortly.

Other proposed changes call for prohibition of stickers on windshields, broaden the responsibility for parents in accidents in which their children figure, imposes a height load, and length limit on vehicles, makes it mandatory for pedestrians to walk on the left-hand side of a highway, and requires motorists to stop before passing buses loading or unloading children.

"RUSSIA MUST BE RECOGNISED."

TRADE DELEGATION'S VIEW.

A final meeting of nearly the entire British trade delegation at present in Russia has accepted the Economic Committee's resolution that extensive trade with Russia is impossible without diplomatic recognition.

A number of delegates protested against the resolution on the ground that they had failed to realise that the delegation ever intended to commit itself to any such declaration.

Others took occasion to censure certain delegates for establishing relations with British concessionaires in Moscow.



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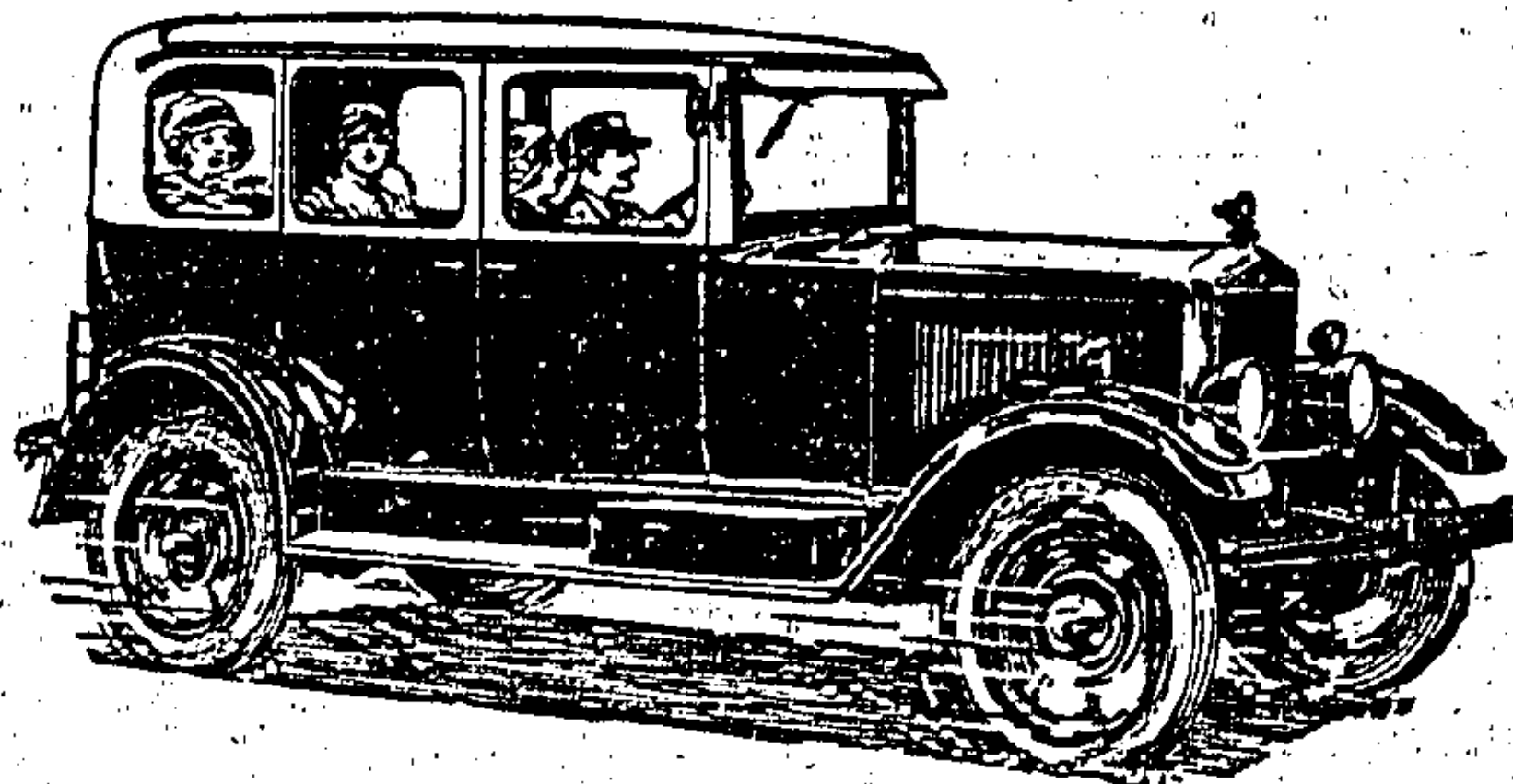
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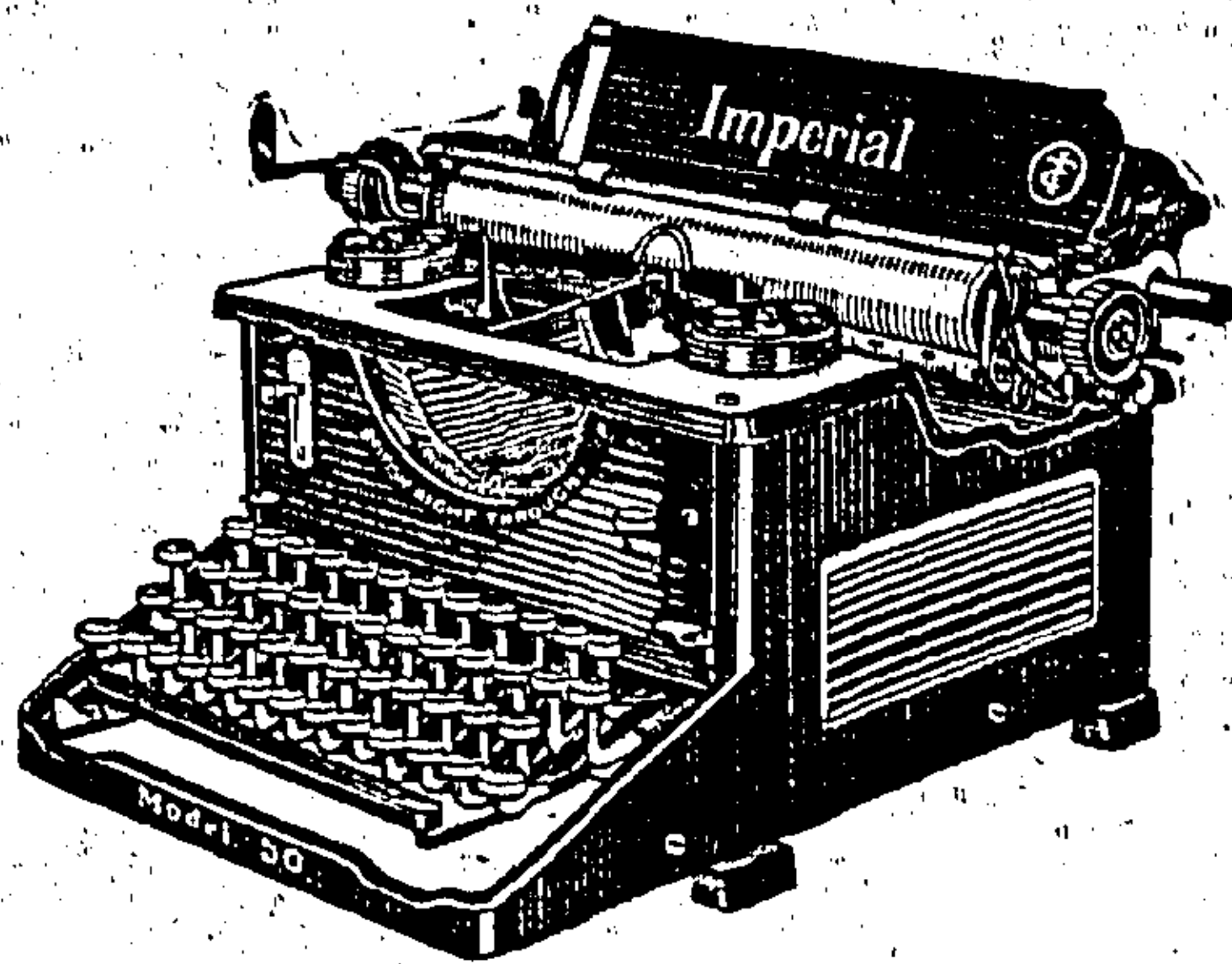
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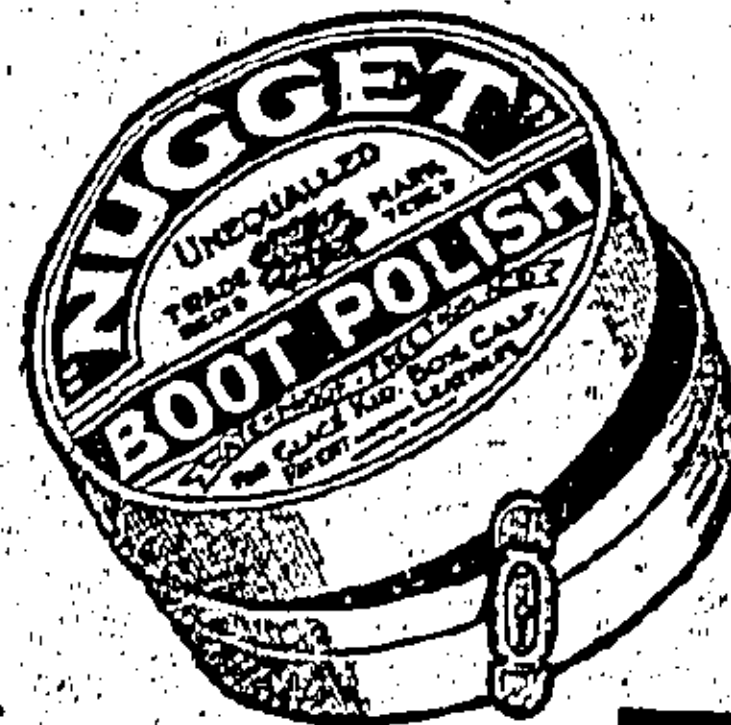
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LANCASHIRE'S GOLF PRESIDENT.

The choice of Dr. H. Holt as the new president of the Lancashire Union of Golf Clubs is a very happy one and will be popular throughout the country, in which he has been one of the leading personalities, both as player and legislator, since the Union was formed in 1911. Dr. Holt has been a member of the Lancashire Executive for a number of years and has watched it grow in membership from about 30 clubs to 118, now the largest county union in the country. He may be regarded as one of the older school. He has had a handicap as low as plus one—before the later standardisation of handicaps—and even now plays to his allowance of two strokes. Originally—and still—a member of Heaton Moor, he was one of the founders of the Reddish Vale club in 1911, through which he has gained a closer association with the county.

FELIXSTOWE TOURNAMENT.

Miss Betty Nuthall made her first appearance this year in English tournament play when, in the Felixstowe Hard Court tournament she beat Mrs. R. Prety by two sets to none. Miss Nuthall was driving accurately to the lines in the first set. In the second set she was not so accurate and she served several double-faults. G. R. O. Crole-Rees, S. W. Harris, and H. J. Gilbert had little difficulty in winning their matches in the Singles.

ANGLOISED AUSTRALIANS.

"The folks at home will hardly understand us when we get back," said Harold Spencer, one of the Australian cinder-artists, who is very popular at the White City. "Several of us have wintered in England, and our speech has become so English we are sometimes mistaken for Londoners. In Australia we have towns called 'Ipswich,' 'Ulcombe,' and lots of other English names, but when we first came over here we pronounced them in 'Australian,' and nobody understood us."

Harold did not like the English winter. "Never again," he said. "I just curled up with the cold. When I had to drive a car 45 miles in a fog and tried driving on those glassy roads during the frost, I decided a speedway was just about the safest place in the world." Harold is 23, and started riding with the opening of the first Brisbane track. He has been second scores of times in the big trophy races, but has always been unlucky or not quite fast enough to win one.

AUSTRALIAN'S FIFTY.

J. O. Anderson differs from Dr. J. C. Gregory's opinion that Australia's first fifty tennis players are equal to the world's best.

Anderson has competed in numerous tournaments outside national championship events in America, and he says he knows many fine players who are difficult to beat, and many of them we have never heard of. "Australia has no outstanding players capable of defeating the world's best," Anderson adds. "Our leading men need a lot of experience. Five or six years ago we had champions who gave the youngsters the necessary confidence. My belief is that the standard in Australia is lower now than it was fifteen years ago. The first ten players of that period would easily have beaten the first ten to-day."

GREAT WALKS.

Great walks have always had a fascination for Englishmen. The recent feat of the veteran George Cummings, of Hull, in marching 400 miles between London and Leeds, recalls the interest created fifty years ago by the appearance in this country of Edward Payson Weston (whose death has just occurred), and the defeat of the American in a six days' contest by Dan O'Leary. The match at the Agricultural Hall, London, aroused enormous interest amongst all classes. The Earl of Dudley was reported to have wagered £10,000 that the Irishman would win, and, to stimulate O'Leary's energy, he sent his secretary on the day previous to the finish to inform him that he would give him a present of £2,000 if he won. Weston, whose chief supporter was Sir John Astley, was beaten by ten miles. O'Leary having completed 520 miles. Away back in the eighteenth century it is recorded that one John Batt, who, like Cummings, was in his 35th year, undertook to walk 700 miles in 14 days at Richmond, and it is said he accomplished the task with ease.

TO VISIT SOUTH AFRICA.

The following players have been selected by the F.A. to tour South Africa from May to August, 1929:—Hibbs (Birmingham), Oney (Villa), M. B. S. Bower (Cambridge University), Keeping (Southampton), Osborne (Leicester), Hart (Leeds), Barrett (Fulham), Harrison (Nottingham Forest), Armitage (Stoke), Shelley (Southampton), Seed (Sheff. Wednesday), Price (Fulham), Landells (Millwall), Turnbull (Leeds), Chandler (Leicester), Pease (Middlesbrough), Williams (J.J.) (Stoke), Davies (Stoke), T. Whitaker (Arsenal), as trainer.

THE "HOCKEY CURVE."

Vocational diseases are of many kinds, and range from housemaid's knee and writer's cramp to miner's nystagmus. It has been left for this generation to invent or discover their recreational equivalents—so that "tennis elbow" is the penalty for too persistent exploits with the racket, or the callosities on the hands of the hardbiten golfer the price that he pays for swinging not wisely but too well. It is to be noted, however, that most of these alleged "recreational diseases" are discerned in the female sex; it is there that hostile observers usually discover that large feet, thick ankles, graceless figures, and it may be, displaced interiors, are the result of too many games too hardly played. And it is not always the male sex which makes these painful discoveries—or assertions: for example, it is an Irish schoolmistress who has just declared that "quite a number of girls had developed a 'hockey curve'" as a result of too much attention to that popular but strenuous game. In view of the tremendous number of girls who do now-a-days play hockey, one cannot help thinking, if that complaint were really a menace, that half the young women one sees ought to be as curved as a question-mark—which is not, after all, an impression that is generally derived from the England of to-day. Perhaps the "medical authority" who has been consulted on this point, and who replies by carrying the war into the camp of the opposite sex, is on the right track in such matters. He says that he has encountered the "golfer's stoop" and the "boxer's shuffle"—but not the "hockey curve." In short, nearly any game, if carried to excess, is liable to produce an abnormality of development or carriage.

GREAT HOCKEY TOURNAMENT.

Senor J. A. Macaya, president of the hockey section of the Real Polo Jockey Club of Barcelona, gives a Press representative details of the mammoth hockey tournament which is being organised in Barcelona next winter.

All the European nations which play the stick game have been invited to compete, and special travelling facilities will be granted to visiting teams. Late recruits, like Czechoslovakia and Portugal, have been enlisted to meet senior sides like England and Ireland.

Hockey is now a popular game throughout the Continent, and it has attracted a very good type of player.

MAINLY FOR THE MEN.

An American in London writes:—Ten million dollars change hands in the theatres, cinemas, restaurants, cabarets, bars and dance halls of London every Saturday night. The average small-town has nothing on the Londoner when it comes to stepping out on Saturday. Saloons and bars are packed until the last minute before closing time. Queues stretch for blocks in front of the theatres and cinemas. Streets are jammed by the overflow, who have nowhere else to go after they are refused admission to the packed amusement places. When 200,000 suburban Londoners start for the tube and train stations to catch the 12.30 for Croydon, East Ham, or Hendon, the rush is at the full as far as London's traffic is concerned. The people coming up to London for Saturday night start by spending some £30,000 on train, tram, and omnibus fares. Approximately 750,000 Londoners, suburban and regular, spend the evening at the "pictures." Another 150,000 keep themselves and their money in circulation at public dances. The theatres do a business of £250,000, and the cinemas top the figure at \$415,000. The Londoner's Saturday night bill for half a million pounds of chocolates is \$240,000. Rainy weather does not deter those whose regular routine calls for a night out.

The Bloomsbury "war area" is still a maze of craters and trenches guarded by barriers and red lanterns which seem strangely out of place when the night lights of the West End are turned on. The district suffered heavy damage in December when a gas main exploded and ripped up some of the busiest streets in town. Shop owners took heavy losses on their Christmas trade and several theatres were closed for several days. A commission of inquiry blamed a worker, who died from injuries received in the blast, for fashings a cigarette lighter in the gas main. The commission also recommended that London's basement be regulated along the lines of modern zoning and city planning. Many factors contribute to the present subterranean tangle beneath the city's streets. Between the street surface and the underground railway tubes are laid the Post Office tunnels and cables, the gas companies' mains, the electricity companies' power conduits, and the Metropolitan

Water Board's pipes. There are also municipal drainage tunnels. The city has let by private contract most of the amenities and necessities which are concentrated under the municipal administration in most towns. The work of putting London's underground house in order will therefore be rather complicated. Meanwhile any workman in the network of conduits and passages beneath and streets may become an accidental Guy Fawkes, and give the road repairers more work to do after they have finished patching up the present devastated zone.

The merry huntmen of England are just a bit perturbed. They are pondering over the possibility that Britain's foxes may be exterminated before the hounds take the field, and fox hunting without a fox would hardly be according to tradition. The source of their worry is a notice issued by Mr. Henry Nation, a West Somerset landowner and retired farm owner, who has already prohibited hunting on his lands, which include some of the best hunting country of the Taunton Vale Foxhounds, and has established a sanctuary "for all hunted animals" at Clatworthy. He now proposes to shoot all the foxes in sight, thus saving them the mental anguish of being chased all over the country and finally being torn to bits by the hounds. Another West Somerset farmer, Mr. Fred Scott, followed Mr. Nation's lead, and warned local hunts off his land, one of the favourite spots of the West Somerset Foxhounds. The hounds frightened his ewes, Mr. Scott said, and he had a bad lambing season this year. The hunters who rode gaily over his land smashed his fences and broke his gates.

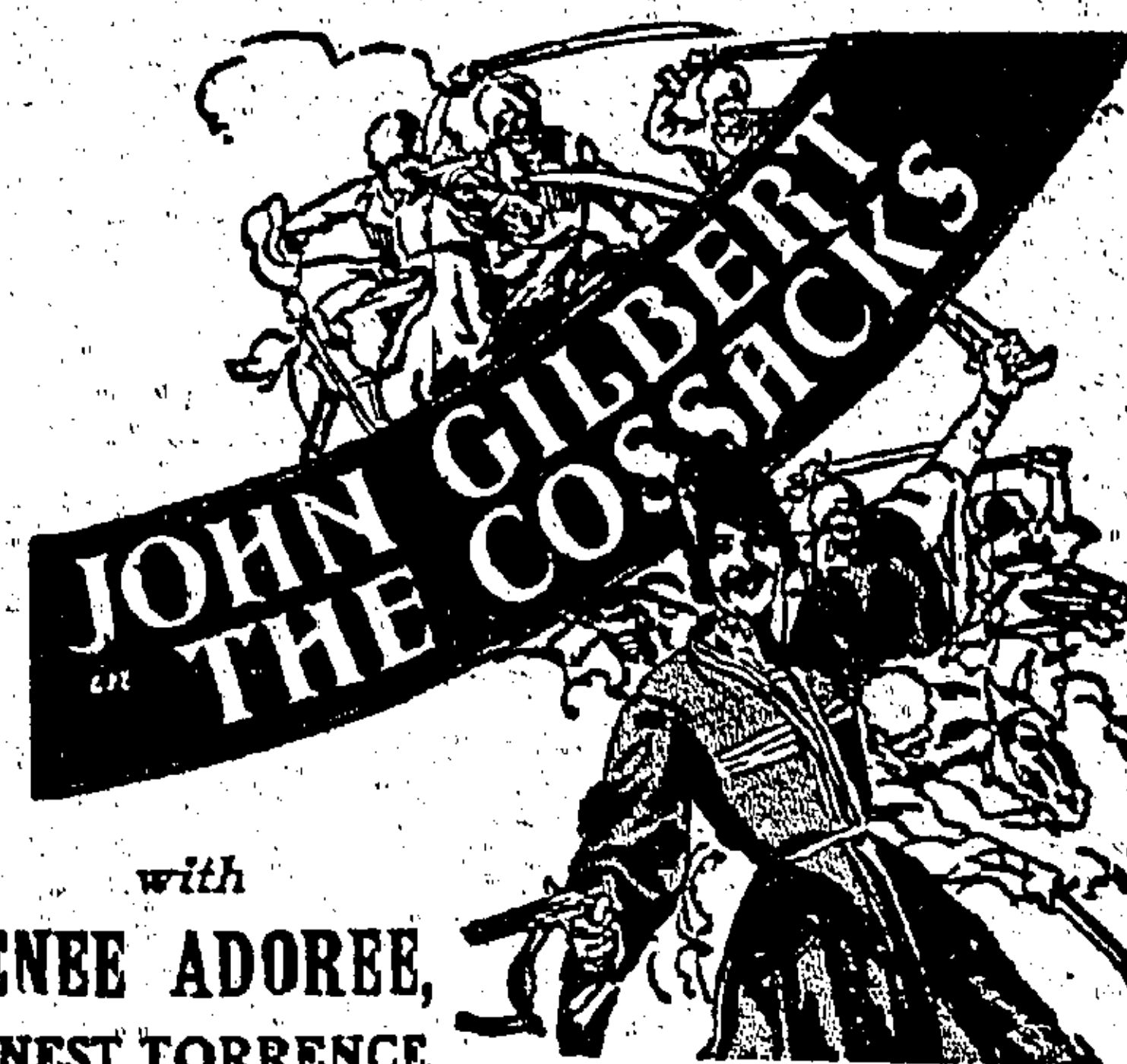
One of the first practical difficulties facing the new provisory government of the Vatican City is a small scale-problem in eviction. Admission to citizenship in the Papal State is jealously guarded. In consequence some 250 persons, mostly minor employees and servants living in the precincts of Vatican City have got to find new homes before the end of this month. The ruling is a blow to many of them who have lived all their lives in their present residences, and who up to two months ago had supposed they would probably spend the remainder of their days in the same abodes.

The Eiffel Tower has reached middle age but it still holds itself proudly erect as the highest structure in the world despite the ever-increasing height of sky-scrapers in America. Parisians are planning to commemorate its fortieth anniversary this year by placing a memorial to M. Gustave Eiffel, its constructor, under the north side of this straddling four-legged colossus of steel. This memorial will be a bust executed by the famous French sculptor, Emile Antoine Bourdelle, and will be unveiled in the course of the year with impressive ceremonies, the exact date not yet having been fixed. M. Eiffel built his imposing monument, with its 25,000,000 rivets holding together 1,600,000 pieces of metal, in 14 months, driving home the last rivet seven days before the opening of the Universal Exposition of 1889. Despite the protests against the construction of what was then termed by many writers "a useless and ugly metal tower," he started the work in 1887 and finished on March 30, 1889.

The movement in France to have the French people take off their clothes and return to nature has been given an impetus by the arrival in Paris of the German apostle of nudity, Herr Doktor Zimmermann. He has come for the express purpose of conferring with his colleagues in this country regarding the establishment of a health camp for nudists in France shortly, probably this spring. "You have no idea of the moral revolution brought about in the human being by nudism," Doctor Zimmermann declared in a statement to the press. "I believe that humanity can only be saved from evil by the practice of complete naturalism. I also believe that this regeneration must be international. That is the reason I have come to Paris to see M. de Mongeot and his friends who are soon to open a camp." It was twenty-five years ago that Dr. Zimmermann founded a camp at Klingenberg, near Lubeck, for folks who prefer to stroll about in the alto-gether. Since the war the movement has grown rapidly and is said now to embrace 10,000 enthusiasts in Germany. The number of people interested in it in France has not been estimated but the cult is large enough to have a bimonthly magazine entitled *Live Completely*.

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SON AND FATHER'S
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MANSLAUGHTER VERDICT
RETURNED.

Albert George Wilson (23), a timberworker, and Anna Elizabeth Hillard, a middle-aged woman, appeared in the Criminal Court at Melbourne charged with having murdered David Wilson. The dead man was the father of Albert George Wilson, and, according to the Crown case, the woman Hillard had lived with David Wilson for many years. She was the mother of six children, of whom David Wilson was the father.

Mr. Book (Crown Prosecutor) said that David Wilson was separated from his own wife. About 18 months ago Albert George Wilson and Hillard formed an attachment for each other, and the desire to get rid of David Wilson induced the two accused to kill him. Hillard shot deceased through the heart with a shotgun, and Albert Wilson assisted in the crime. The two arranged that Albert Wilson should take the blame, and say that he had shot his father to protect the woman from an assault by David Wilson.

"Scuffling for Gun."

Anna Elizabeth Hillard said that she and her children had been unmercifully treated by David Wilson, who beat the children with a stockwhip for the least thing. On the night of the tragedy, Albert Wilson was playing the gramophone for the children, when David Wilson went to bed. She had some "words" with Wilson senior and he sprang out of bed and chased her. She saw Albert Wilson and (Continued at foot of next column).

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Paris.—Marc Sagnier, the well known leader of the "Young Republic," is planning a "crusade" of the young generation in favour of peace and international understanding. A large number of demonstrations are to be held in August next throughout France in which delegations from similar organizations in the neighbouring countries are expected to take part.

Berlin.—The Minister of Posts announces that the German postal administration intends to open and maintain its own air mail service between Berlin and Constantinople.

Vladivostok.—The Soviet system has been introduced at the order of the Moscow authorities among the nomad tribes in the region of Olak in Kamchatka where until now the heads of the various tribes ruled with absolute power.

Nanking.—Mr. Liu Tah Meng, personal representative of General Chang Hsueh Liang, arrived from Shenyang (Mukden) and called on President Chiang Kai Shek at the State Council Building to submit a detailed report of the administration of Party affairs in the North-eastern Provinces as well as of the result of the enforcement of disarmament measures throughout Manchuria.

New York.—The letter George Washington wrote in reply to a vote of thanks passed by the Maryland Assembly in 1781 was sold at Sotheby's in London for £500, and will go back to Maryland.

Los Angeles.—A school of citizenship and public administration has been established by the University of Southern California, in the civic centre area, to care for the needs of government employees. Courses range from public speaking to power and light bureau administration. Evening classes make it possible for all employees who wish to learn more of their city or county's administration to do so without dropping any of their work. The school is under direction of Emory E. Olson, and its courses are designed to give practical rather than purely academic instruction.

Victoria, B.C.—The Government of British Columbia is watching with interest the first move by a city in this Province to invoke drastic provincial legislation aimed at Oriental penetration. The Vancouver City Council has appointed a committee to study this legislation with a view to its adoption. In brief, the law allows a municipality to appoint a licensing board with such drastic powers over the issuance of trades licenses that it would have the right to control the business operation of Orientals. It represents the most drastic action against Orientals ever attempted by the provincial authorities, and its effects, if it is adopted, will be observed with interest all over western Canada, where the Oriental problem is acute.

Vancouver, B.C.—New records were reached in the salmon pack in British Columbia this year, the total pack being 2,635,657 cases; Major J. M. Motherwell, Dominion inspector for fisheries in British Columbia, in his annual report states that fisheries in the province are improved as a result of the department's conservation program regarding spawning conditions. The pack would have been greater had it not been for the restriction in certain areas where all the season's fishing was confined to one day and a half.

New York.—The American Association of Foreign Chamber of Commerce Secretaries has just been organized here to promote the exchange of information on matters of mutual interest. The group is expected to include representation for all of the 17 foreign chambers of commerce in New York City. Nine nations were represented at the organization meeting, which was held in the offices of the Merchants Association. They are Great Britain, Germany, Italy, Belgium, the Netherlands, Sweden, Poland, Brazil and Russia.

Chicago.—The site of the first white man's house in what is now Chicago is scheduled to have a new adornment. For three score years and 10 it has entertained a soap factory. Some day it will have a skyscraper. The house stood on the north bank of the Chicago River, where Michigan Avenue crosses it. Skyscrapers cluster about. The soap factory clung to its home during a period which saw Chicago grow up from a small city, passed through the Chicago fire of 1871 and watched the transformation of its locality. Finally it decided its site was too luxurious, put up a new plant and moved away.

Augusta, Me.—An act for the extermination of mosquitoes from the State of Maine has been passed by the Legislature and signed by the Governor but carries no appropriation for accomplishing its purposes. The act recites that "the insect known as the mosquito is hereby declared in all its stages a public nuisance," and the state health commissioner is authorized to "use all lawful methods for its control, suppression and abatement." He is further authorized to enter areas suspected of being breeding places of salt-marsh or fresh-water mosquitoes and to carry out necessary control measures, or delegate such authority to local officials. But all without money.

Belgrade.—The Yugoslav Government is considering a decree providing for one week's compulsory labour annually for all males including foreigners residing in the country, and of between 21 and 35 years of age. These labour conscripts will be employed in repairing and extending the country's road system.

Portland, Ore.—Through arrangements with the Library Association Board here, the Society of Oregon Artists have made it possible for the public to borrow pictures for home enjoyment in much the same way that books are lent, according to a report by Mrs. Harold Dickson Marsh, secretary of the society. Pictures are lent from the art room of the public library for one month and may be renewed for another month, a fine of 10 cents a day being charged in case a picture is kept over the allotted time.

Edmonton, Alta.—Second place among the Provinces of the Dominion in its per capita national wealth is held by Alberta, the figures for this Province as announced by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics being \$3,863. The first place in per capita national wealth is held by British Columbia, this figure being placed at \$3,844.

Bournemouth.—Miss Veronica Pilkington, fourth daughter of the late Sir Lionel Pilkington, Bt., of Clevel Park, Wakefield, died in the Buchanan Hospital, St. Leonard's-on-Sea, following an operation for septic poisoning. Miss Pilkington was at work on her farm at Whydown, near Bexhill, some days ago when she was kicked on the leg by a cow. The wound became septic.

Goole.—At Goole, on charges of uttering counterfeit coin, James Francis Kennedy, a shoemaker, of Baby, near Doncaster, was sent to gaol for six months, and James Moorin, riveter, of Doncaster, was fined £10.

Cobham.—Thieves entered the residence of Mr. Joe Lee, turf commission agent, at Stoke D'Abernon, Cobham, Surrey, and stole articles valued at over £2,000, including four gold medals won at philatelic exhibitions.

Plymouth.—Firemen were forced to wear smoke helmets in fighting a fire which destroyed the extensive premises of Messrs. Clarke, Noble and Co., Ltd., box-makers, printers, and manufacturing stationers, at Plymouth. The Chief Constable (Mr. Sanders) head of the brigade, and a number of firemen were partially overcome by fumes.

Liverpool.—Special prayers for rain were offered in many churches recently in Liverpool and the agricultural districts of the Wirral Peninsula.

Southend.—Thomas Digby, aged sixty-eight, a retired Canadian Government emigration inspector, was found dead in a gas-filled room in a house in Quebec-avenue, Southend.

Leeds.—Mr. Charles Stuart Brown, of Birkenhead, has acquired Croft House, Morley, near Leeds, where the late Lord Oxford and Asquith was born, and intends to convert it into a home for Leeds old-age pensioners.

London.—A splash of hot bacon fat which flew into the nostrils of Mrs. Elsie Walford, aged thirty, of Grange-street, Chalk Farm, while she was frying the bacon for breakfast, was stated at an inquest at St. Pancras to have caused her death. Mrs. Walford died in the Hampstead General Hospital from general septicæmia.

Schenectady, N.Y.—An incandescent light, with a bulb the size of a large watermelon and a water-cooled radiator is under development in the General Electric company laboratories here. The big bulb uses about three times the power of the largest commercial incandescent lamp and yields 60,000 candle power. The object of experiments is to build bigger lamps by discovering how to prevent the hot gases inside the bulbs from warping or melting the lighting elements.

Hankow.—The Aeronaute Association at Hankow has assigned Wuchang, Changsha, Hengchow and Shaochow as the four intermediate stations along the Hankow-Canton air mail line, which is over 1,000 li long and is to be covered by a six-hour flight.

Nanking.—Messrs. Tsai Yuan Pei, Wang Chung Hui, Koo Ying Fen, Chang Ching Kiang and Lin Sen were appointed members of the Standing Committee of the Central Supervisory Committee at the first meeting of the C.S.C.

"I CAN'T FIGHT"

"WOODEN LEGGED NUISANCE" IN COURT.

A six-foot Chinese with a wooden leg and another man with a black eye appeared yesterday before Mr. N. L. Smith at Central Magistracy on a charge of fighting. The man with the wooden leg turned up the right leg of his trousers to show that he had an artificial leg and could not therefore inflict a black eye on anyone. The prosecution, however, told the court that the wooden legged man was a nuisance to the police and that the man with the black eye was an unemployed person. Both were bound over in the sum of \$50 to keep the peace for six months.

A.P.C. OFFICIAL'S ADVENTURES.

IN THE HANDS OF BANDITS.

FULL STORY OF NARROW ESCAPE FROM DEATH.

[British United Press.]

Hankow.—Chinese Government forces are restoring order in Hunan Province following a sporadic reign of terror marked by murder, looting, arson and assaults on foreigners by 4,000 "Divine Soldiers," notorious Hunanese bandits who sacked the prosperous city of Changteh, one of the leading trading centres of Hunan.

For 15 days during April Changteh was a bloody battleground between rival bandit gangs and contending military factions. Hundreds of civilians were slaughtered in the streets and some foreigners subjected to brutalities. Native women were attacked and left to die in the open.

Mr. L. Hansard Gabb, a Briton employed by the Asiatic Petroleum Company, has arrived in Hankow after escaping the bandits. He told a vivid story of escape from death. Mr. Gabb was shot at close range, beaten, and stabbed six times in the thigh with a spear.

The Attack.

The bandits attacked Changteh on the evening of April 7, he said, overpowering the guard at the city gates and charging through the streets, firing at random. Mr. Gabb was dining at the Commercial Club, outside the East Gate, and the Club was among the first buildings stormed and looted.

Mr. Gabb hid in a cellar with several Chinese, three of whom were found by the bandits and shot. When he went to telephone, he was fired at but the bullet missed, shattering a wall clock. He retreated to the cellar, hiding behind a pile of coal, where a second bandit party found him.

He was dragged into the open, stripped of his clothing and a gold ring, and, with hands tied behind his back, marched through the city with a spear at his chest and a pistol at his head. The bandits demanded ransom and, when they were informed he had no money, stabbed him with a spear in the thigh.

The prisoner later was confined in a cellar from which he escaped when his guards deserted their posts to participate in the looting of the city.

With the help of a friendly Chinese, Mr. Gabb made his way to the Presbyterian Mission and later, with other refugees, succeeded in reaching an A.P.C. launch which carried them down the Yangtze River to safety, at Changsha.

TRAFFIC CASES.

MISLEADING WHITE LINE.

Messrs. E. J. de Figueiredo and J. Shea at Kowloon Magistracy yesterday were summoned for causing obstruction by leaving their cars outside the Star Theatre.

Mr. Shea told his Worship there was a white line drawn on the road giving the impression that it had been painted there to indicate a parking stand.

The traffic officer said that it had nothing to do with the Traffic Department. It might have been drawn by the P.W.D.

Mr. Shea remarked that the line was rather misleading. Both defendants were fined \$5.00.

Trouble at Hotel Corner.

Mr. J. J. Basto was also summoned for disobeying the traffic signals at the junction of Salisbury and Nathan Roads (Peninsula Hotel corner). The summons was dismissed following the Indian constables' failure to identify the driver.

Mr. Basto said that at the time in question he was at his office and the car might have been taken out by someone else.

CHINESE HUSBAND AND WIFE QUARREL.

A Chinese woman summoned her husband before Mr. Whyte Smith at Kowloon Magistracy yesterday with alleged persistent cruelty and failure to maintain her. The woman said she had been married to defendant since she was 16 and had four children. After her fourth child she became ill and her husband took in a concubine. Thereafter she was ill-treated and often beaten. He only allowed her a few cents to live on and mostly she had to work to keep body and soul together.

Mr. J. M. Hall, on behalf of the husband, said that the husband accused his wife of having deserted him, and she had lived with someone else for a long time.

The wife could not call any witnesses and the Magistrate was obliged to dismiss the summons. He referred the woman, however, to make a complaint to the S.C.A. Office.

LAUNCHES COLLIDE IN HARBOUR.

GOVERNMENT VESSELS INVOLVED.

TWO COLLISIONS REPORTED.

There was some excitement on the waterfront near Black Pier yesterday, when the steam-launch Stanley was about to go alongside the pier at 6.30 p.m.

The launch had on board a large party of picnickers and as it was being manoeuvred into position to allow the party to land on the Pier, it ran into the stern of No. 2 Post Office launch.

The Stanley was also damaged on the bow, but not to any great extent. No one on either launch was injured.

According to a police report there was a collision earlier in the day, some 200 yards off Stonecutters. The steam-launch Ledka is reported to have run into the stern of the launch Waylong, doing damage to the extent of \$25.

SHOOTING IN KOWLOON.

SANITARY BOARD COOLIE THE VICTIM.

A Sanitary Department coolie was shot at To Kwa Wan yesterday by two highway men. The incident occurred near the No. 3 Railway Bridge. At the time the coolie was proceeding towards the Sanitary Department quarters followed at some distance behind by a number of other coolies. Near the bridge the two robbers appeared, one of them producing a revolver. The coolie immediately shouted for help whereupon one of the robbers shot him in the thigh. Nothing was stolen, although the victim had \$32 in his possession. The injured man was removed to the Kowloon Hospital and a late report from the Police last night stated that one man had been arrested.

FRENCH AVIATOR EXPECTED.

INVESTIGATING INDO-CHINA AIR LINES.

A French seaplane was expected to arrive at Kai Tak Aerodrome yesterday afternoon from Saigon and Kwong Chow Wan. A party of local Frenchmen, including the French Consul, and Squadron Leader Freeman, R.A.F., and Asiatic Petroleum Company's representatives, waited until 5 p.m. at the Aerodrome.

As the aviator did not arrive to time, they left.

No cablegram has been received of the aviator's movements. The object of the flight, we understand, is to gather information in connection with proposed air services between Indo-China and South China ports.

ENGLISH COMEDY COMPANY.

RETURN SEASON AT STAR THEATRE.

THREE NIGHTS AT THEATRE ROYAL.

The Banvard English Comedy Company are arriving back in the Colony to-day from Shanghai for the third time. President Banvard. The Company has had an enormous success in the northern port, the theatre in which they were playing being packed out each night. Hong Kong gave them a warm welcome during their short season at the Star Theatre before going North and many theatre-goers have been counting the days till their return.

The Company is giving "Rookery Nook" to-night at the Star, a delightful farce by Ben Travers, with which they scored a great success four weeks ago. On Sunday is "The Fanatics," for which all tickets were sold two days before the night during the earlier visit, on Monday "Thark," and on Tuesday a play not previously given here "Diversion."

After this short season at the Star the Company will move across the harbour to the Theatre Royal for three nights—May 22, 23 and 24. Tickets may be obtained at Moutrie's and the Star Theatre Kowloon, at the popular prices of \$3, \$2 and \$1.

CHINESE MURDERED.

A QUEENSLAND TRAGEDY.

Charles Hong, a Chinese baker and storekeeper at Barendine, was found almost dead to death in the shed in which he lived alone. His head had been frightfully battered with some blunt instrument. He died a few hours after admission to hospital. Hong was a very quiet and unassuming man. Robbery is thought to have been the motive for the murder.

A Mrs. Colman went to the back door of the shed, and, opening it, saw Hong lying on the floor in a pool of blood. She screamed, and a man immediately rushed out of the shed, nearly knocking her down in his haste. Mrs. Colman then ran for the police. They found the safe open. In it was £100.



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KWANGSI IN FLIGHT.**STRATEGIC POINTS RE-CAPTURED.****FUKIEN ADVANCING.**

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, May 17.

Further successes have been scored by the Kwangtung troops along both the West and the East Rivers. The Kwangsi troops along the West River are being driven back towards Shuihing and Fung Chun. General Chen Tsai Tong is planning to send an aerial expedition against Wuchow, to bomb the wireless station. General Chen Tsai Tong is of the opinion that if it could be put out of commission, inter-communication among the enemy troops would be severed. Shuihing, which had fallen into the hands of the bandit Communists a couple of days ago because of insufficient protection, has been re-captured by the Kwangtung troops under the command of Colonel Li King Yang.

SHUIHING TAKEN.

Shuihing, a most important strategic point along the West River, has been recaptured by Colonel Heung Hon Ping's troops. The Kwangsi soldiers have also been dislodged from Ma Fong.

The Fukien army under the command of General Chang Ching is reported to be advancing towards Swatow from Chengchow in southern Fukien to help General Chep Tsai Tong with his campaign.

BRITONS IN DANGER IN WUCHOW.

The Cantonese military authorities threaten to bomb Wuchow wireless station by aircraft.

British women and children have been advised to leave for Hong Kong.

Extensive operations are expected during the forthcoming week.

The Cantonese military authorities expect to take Wuchow.

CHINESE MILITARY BREVITIES.

[Industrial and Commercial Daily Press.]

Through the offices of some of the generals, Chen Tsai Tong has released Yu Hon Mow, the commander of the Canton 1st Brigade, who was detained upon suspicion of planning to turn over his troops to Kwangsi. The brigade is now under the command of Li Yang King.

General Chen Tsai Tong has received a telegram from Ho Chien, the Commander-in-Chief of the Hunanese troops, to the effect that Kweilin, the Kwangsi capital, and Pinglo have been taken by the Hunanese.

Fung Cho Man, the ex-Commissioner of Finance, is now in Macao. As soon as the navy mutiny was settled, he fled from Canton. It is alleged that he was a prominent figure of the mutiny.

As Shuihing is now free from the Kwangsi troops, the Cantonese leaders have decided to dispatch forces to garrison that locality.

By order of General Chen Tsai Tong, three aeroplanes have been detailed to destroy the wireless station in Wuchow and to cut off sources of communication of the Kwangsi troops.

Passenger traffic on the Canton-Samsui Railway has been resumed as the Kwangsi troops have retreated from Shuihing.

CHINESE ADMIRAL LANDS. GUARD OF HONOUR AT QUEEN'S PIER.

Rear-Admiral H. Y. Chen and his staff made their official landing from the Chinese cruiser Hai Yang yesterday morning.

Col. W. D. S. Brownrigg, D.S.O., and Capt. Sillitoe, A.D.C. to H.E. the Governor, received the Admiral at the Pier. A guard of honour drawn from the King's Own Scottish Borderers paraded outside the pier, and the full band of the regiment was in attendance.

Rear-Admiral Chen, on landing, was received by Col. Brownrigg. He then inspected the guard of honour and the party drove to the Army Headquarters in motor-cars.

EXTRA-TERRITORIAL RIGHTS.**REVISION OF CHINA TREATIES.****THE PLEA OF UNIFICATION.**

Dr. C. T. Wang's formal request that Great Britain, France and the United States shall proceed at an early date to a general revision of the treaties, for the abolition of extra-territoriality, has come sooner than was expected in most quarters, says the *North-China Daily News*. In the wholesale conclusion of new commercial treaties last autumn countries agreed to surrender their extra-territorial rights from the beginning of next year, conditionally on certain terms having been previously arranged between themselves and China.

Excepting Kwangsi, which evidently means to go down fighting, the whole of South China and the Yangtze provinces own allegiance to Nanking, which has further established itself in Shantung and has been given the right by General Yen Shi Shan to collect revenues that can be classed as national in Shansi. The position in Szechuan is not clear but does not seem unfavourable to Nanking on the whole. In any case, like Yunnan, it is and always has been so remote, both politically and geographically, that its influence on events is temporarily negligible.

The International Commission.

There remains only that incalculable factor General Feng Yu Hsiang. No one knows his thoughts, his own countrymen as little as anybody.

It is beside the point to argue that extra-territoriality, when acquired by foreigners, was not considered by the Chinese as any disgrace to themselves, that, on the contrary, if there was question of a stigma, it would have been held rather to fall on the foreigner as implying that he was not worthy to be judged by Chinese law. That is not the Chinese view now.

As will be recalled, the International Commission's report was in essentials adverse. It found that judges were still too much under the thumb of local military commanders. In a different form this is still the crux.

Dr. Wang will no doubt reply that this was in the bad old days of the militarists. But are the politicians more scrupulous? Have they been able to divest themselves of the idea that Governments have a right to use law courts for their own purposes? The example of the Provisional Court does not inspire confidence that they have.

Two Sides to the Question.

When the Chairman of the Municipal Council says that, so far from this Court having been the model for others in China which it was hoped to become, its functioning has only spread dismay and distrust in foreign circles, his words are bound to carry weight.

Dr. Wang argues that those who have lost their extra-territorial privileges have had no cause to complain of their new status, but we should like to hear their side of the question. The further argument that consular jurisdiction has become "so detrimental to the smooth working of the judicial and administrative machines of China that her progress as a member of the family of nations has been unnecessarily retarded," calls for facts in its support.

If it could be shown that any Chinese city were better administered than, say, Shanghai, with better policing, better financial management, greater protection for the individual, swifter detection and arrest of criminals, Dr. Wang's argument would have a solid basis. But that cannot be shown.

It is noticeable that Dr. Wang does not ask the Powers to fix a date for the abolition of extra-territoriality but merely to agree to discuss it. The plain fact is, of course, that extra-territorial rights cannot be wiped out by a stroke of the pen. They involve an almost infinite number of questions in which the interests of Chinese individuals and China as a whole are closely concerned.

Shipping and Banks.

Take, for instance, the freedom of foreign shipping to ply on rivers and coasts. If that were cancelled, communications and transport would be most seriously damaged owing to the poverty of China's mercantile shipping, which certainly cannot be built up to replace the foreign in five minutes.

Again, there is the position of foreign banks, and their right to issue notes, which form so large and valued a part of the currency, or of insurance companies, curtailment of which would damage business incalculably. Most conspicuous of all, there is the whole question of the status of Shanghai, for consular jurisdiction can scarcely be abolished outside it, and not inside, and without such jurisdiction in Shanghai, its rights as a foreign reservation disappear.

Furthermore, there is the question of the French Concession, which, once negotiations on the future of Shanghai were begun, could not possibly be considered as a thing apart and unconcerned.

TREASURY OFFICIALS SEVERELY CENSURED.**JURY FIND "GRAVE NEGLIGENCE" IN ADMINISTRATION.****TSANG ON WING NOT A PARTY TO FRAUD.****VERDICT FOR THE GOVERNMENT.**

A verdict in favour of the Government was brought in by the jury yesterday against the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank which was sued by the Treasury for the recrediting of \$250,000 involved in the Carvalho Yeo frauds. The jury declared all the cheques to be forgeries, held that Tsang On Wing (Treasury clerk) had not been a party to the fraud, and considered the absence of adequate supervision on the part of Treasury officials to amount to "grave negligence."

In his summing-up which occupied all the morning, the Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gollan), asked the jury not to be guided by anything that occurred during the Carvalho Yeo trial and to decide the serious issues involved with common sense and a clear mind.

JURY'S LENGTHY DELIBERATION.

The jury arrived at their verdict after deliberating for over an hour. His Lordship, in answer to counsel for plaintiff, said he accepted the verdict and would give judgment on a date to be fixed later.

His Lordship, in the course of his summing-up, said the issues were matters which vitally affected the commercial life of the community and he was sure the jury would derive satisfaction from knowing that the time they had spent had enabled the case to be accurately presented.

For some time previous to the occurrence and at all material times, the relationship of banker and customer existed between the Hong Kong Bank and the Government, the arrangement being that properly-signed cheques should bear the signatures of the Colonial Treasurer and the Chief Accountant, in this case Mr. Messer and Mr. Black respectively.

No Authority to Debit.

The jury would understand that the authority of the bank to pay depended on the cheques being genuine cheques, properly signed by the officers in question. If by any chance the defendant paid on forged cheques, apart from other considerations which arose later, they had no authority to debit those cheques.

The Government said that the amounts represented by the three disputed cheques were wrongfully debited to their account because the cheques on which those amounts were debited were forgeries as the signatures of Mr. Messer and Mr. Black which appeared on them were not in fact their signatures.

The case for the defence, shortly, was that the cheques were genuine; that they were in fact, signed by Mr. Messer and Mr. Black. They also made another defence which was based on the legal doctrines of estoppel.

Also, his Lordship continued, he had to remind the jury that so far as the issue of forgery was concerned, the negligence of Government officials was utterly immaterial. It might become material with regard to the second defence, but it did not matter so far as the question of forgery was concerned.

A Challenged Statement.

Mr. Jenkin had very strongly argued that Tsang On Wing was a dishonest man, that he was in the plot. That was a matter for the jury's serious consideration, but Sir Henry said he would say that so far as the issue of forgery was concerned, Tsang's conduct had nothing to do with it.

If the cheques were found to be forgeries, it might be that one or two innocent parties might have to suffer, but after all the duty of a banker was merely to pay genuine cheques. The bank would be liable if forgery was found.

Dealing with the evidence for the Crown, that of Mr. Messer and Mr. Black, his Lordship said that both held responsible positions in the Government service; they were men of experience, and they absolutely repudiated the signatures from the start. That statement was challenged strongly by counsel for the defence.

Mr. Potter had urged upon the jury that if the signatures were obtained by a trick, it was unnecessary there should have been two lots of 30 cheques stolen. There was a danger of the theft of the first 30 being discovered and an added danger of the absence of the second lot being found out.

Officials' Handwriting.

If the signatures had been obtained by a trick, and Tsang On Wing had been in the plot, there would have been no need to steal the cheques. All Tsang would have had to do would have been to fill in the amounts. On that aspect of the case, it was for them to consider why, if the signatures were obtained by a trick, 60 cheques were stolen.

Another aspect of the case for the Crown was that of handwriting. Both Mr. Black and Mr. Messer had given reasons why they should

come to the conclusion that the signatures were not their signatures. That evidence was based on a detailed comparison between handwriting on genuine cheques and the three disputed cheques and that was solely a matter for the jury.

Very high claims had been made by Professor Shellshear, continued by his Lordship, with regard to the value and reliability of his handwriting evidence.

His Lordship could not help thinking that if the evidence of an expert in handwriting was so reliable, the only wise thing for the Government to do in a case of the present kind, was simply to have an expert, get his opinion and then introduce legislation to finish the whole matter.

Common Sense Methods.

"I think, on the whole, that justice is better done by moving through in our old-fashioned way, with nothing but common sense and a clear mind to guide us," he went on.

There had been a diligent search of many cheques in the case for one which bore the Katz "z" and only one cheque had been found, which, it was alleged by counsel for the defence, was in any way similar to the Katz "z."

It was first advanced by Mr. Jenkin and definitely adopted by Professor Shellshear, that the passbook was expected back from the Bank either on January 17 or 18, 1929, that there was present in Tsang's mind a certainty that when the passbook was returned and examined, his activities with regard to the Katz cheque would come to light and he was conscious of the fact that he had made this "z" in the Katz cheque; that he must also avoid making that type of "z" in the Hazeland cheque.

Another Theory Advanced.

Immediately before he wrote the Hazeland cheque, he wrote a cheque in favour of Wong Sze, that cheque being also dated January 17. Alive to his danger Tsang in that case wrote a tail "z". When he began to write the Hazeland cheques his subconscious self played him a trick because his criminal self directed his hand into beginning to write a block "z" in the Hazeland cheque.

Before he had completed the writing, or just afterwards, his criminal self awakened and he realised that two weeks before he had written the Katz cheque with a block "z". The thought occurred to him that if he did not look at it, he would be discovered. Then, according to the theory, he turned the letter into a tail "z". His Lordship continued that he thought it well to give the matter in detail because it had been put forward humorously. It was put before them seriously as a matter for their consideration, both by counsel and by the expert for the defence. His Lordship added he had done his duty when he stated the theory, and his responsibility then ceased.

Mr. Messer's Strokes.

The point had been made by the Crown that it was remarkable how the stroke under Mr. Messer's signature appeared in the disputed cheques. The suggestion made was that Mr. Messer made those strokes above the line or below it. In the disputed cheques they found the stroke actually on the line.

Mr. Jenkin asked whether such an obvious and easily copied feature would not have been present to the mind of a forger, and therefore it would have been highly unlikely that he would be guilty of such crass stupidity in making the lines in a way which might throw doubt on the genuineness of the signatures, when there were other ways of drawing the line that could not be questioned.

That question of stupidity in crime, said his Lordship, was interesting as it was remarkable how often criminals who showed extremely great skill made the simplest mistakes.

His Lordship pointed out that the combination of three points in Mr. Black's signatures on the disputed cheques was not found in combination in 18,000 other cheques.

Dealing with the defence, his Lordship pointed out Mr. Jenkin had said he did not question the honesty of Mr. Black and Mr. Messer. Mr. Black and Mr. Messer had hotly denied ever signing blank cheques.

No Evidence of Trick.

No evidence of a trick had been given. Mr. Jenkin said that the conduct of Tsang On Wing and the evidence of Professor Shellshear showed clearly that some trick must have been used. If the jury accepted that suggestion, the only conclusion they could come to was that the signatures were genuine.

After commenting on the necessity for severe cross-examination in such cases, his Lordship, referring to Tsang On Wing, said he thought the jury would agree that so far as his demeanour was concerned it was quiet, with no trickiness whatever.

Questions to Jury and Answers.

The questions put to the jury and their answers were as follows:—

1.—Are the signatures or any of them which appear upon the three cheques Exhibits A, B and C and purport to be the signatures of Mr. C. McI. Messer and Mr. T. Black forgeries, or are the same or any of them genuine?—Answer: All the cheques are forgeries.

2.—Was Tsang On Wing a party to the fraud which was perpetrated by means of the said three cheques?—Answer: No.

3.—Did Tsang On Wing or Cheung Man Kun or either of them know or before the respective dates of the presentation and payment of the said three cheques, and if so, on what respective dates, that after the receipt by the Treasury of the cheque book which contained cheques numbered K/6 239301 to 239300.

(a) Had the printing on the cover of the said cheque book been wrongfully and fraudulently altered?—Answer: No.

(b) Had thirty blank cheques numbered K/6 239301 to 239300, together with their respective counterfoils been wrongfully and fraudulently extracted therefrom?—Answer: No.

Or, did Tsang On Wing or Cheung Man Kun or either of them, up to and until the respective dates of presentation and payment, believe (i) that when the said cheque book was received by the Treasury the cover of the same had already been altered?—Answer: Yes.

(ii) That the said book had been received from the defendants containing only 570 cheques?—Answer: Yes.

4.—Were the alterations on the cover and the extraction of thirty cheques and their counterfoils from cheque book "F" circumstances of such a nature that by the exercise of reasonable care and diligence on the part of either Mr. Black or Mr. Messer or both, they, or any of them, should have been known to these officials or either of them in the month of December, 1927?—Answer: Yes. The absence of adequate supervision on the part of Treasury officials amounts to grave negligence.

The jury then returned the verdict given above. The trial covered a period of over three weeks.

SERIOUS CHARGES AGAINST THREE MEN.**LIKELY TO BE A "COMMITTAL" CASE.**

Douglas Gifford, unemployed, Chau Tak and Cheng Hang Kwong, an electrician appeared before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at Kowloon on charges on conspiracy to defraud and intimidation.

The full charges against the defendants were:—

(1).—That they, on May 14 and 15, unlawfully did conspire, combine and confederate together to obtain money by means of a false pretence, to wit, that they were in a position to charge one, Wong Yau, a married woman of No. 870, Canton Road, with the crime of larceny of electricity whereas in fact they were not in a position to do so.

(2).—That they on May 15, unlawfully did threaten one Wong Yau with injury to her reputation, namely to charge the said Wong Yau with the crime of larceny of electricity with the intent in such case to cause the said Wong Yau to do an act which she was not legally bound to do; to wit, to pay the sum of several tens of dollars, in order to avoid the said charge being made.

Defendants were remanded for one week, the prosecution intimating that the case would be treated as a committal one.

REMOVING A DEAD BODY.

Two Chinese were fined \$10 or 14 days' hard labour by Mr. Whyte Smith for removing the body of a Chinese from the reclamation at Shamshui.

Detective Sergeant Meadows told his Worship that when the body was discovered it had marks of a rope around the neck.

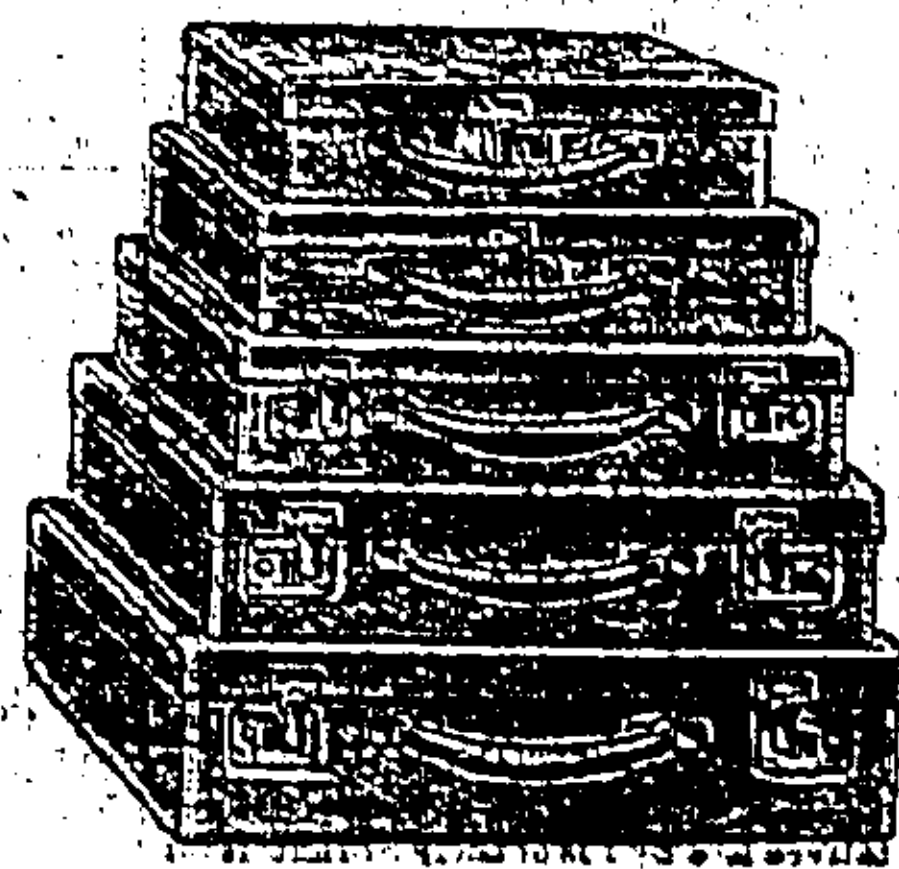
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A Claimant not residing in ENGLAND or WALES must send with particulars of his or her Claim the Name and Address of a Person in ENGLAND or WALES to whom Notices to the Claimant can be sent.

Dated the 22nd day of April, 1929.

R. W. LOWDEN,

Registrar.

TREVOR HOLDEN, Plaintiff's Solicitor, 35, North John Street, LIVERPOOL, W. ENGLAND. The said GEORGE STOPFORD MORGAN was last heard of in Hong Kong, China, many years ago. [7806A]

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COMMENCING ON TUESDAY, MAY 21ST ROUTE No. 4 will be extended to YAU MA TEI. That Portion of the New Route West of the Junction of GARCOING and JORDAN ROAD will be as follows: JORDAN ROAD, CANTON ROAD, KINHO, GARCOING, YAU MA TEI, PUBLIC SQUARE, STREET, NATHAN ROAD and GARCOING ROAD. Between GARCOING ROAD and KOWLOON CITT the Route will remain unchanged. The Service will be as under:

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11.45 a.m. To 12.25 a.m. (Every 10 Mins.)

From YAU MA TEI.

6.50 a.m. To 6.50 a.m. (Every 10 Mins.)

6.50 a.m. To 12.5 a.m. (Every 5 Mins.)

12.5 a.m. To 12.45 a.m. (Every 10 Mins.)

L. O. F. BELLAMY,

General Manager.

May 15th, 1929.

INTIMATIONS.

THE CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Undersigned on THURSDAY, 23RD MAY, 1929, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ended the 31st DECEMBER, 1928.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 6TH to the 23RD MAY, 1929, Both Days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD. General Agents. Hong Kong, 2nd May, 1929. [7724]

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LTD.

(Incorporated in Hong Kong).

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-SIXTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at the HEAD OFFICE, UNION BUILDING, HONG KONG, on FRIDAY, 24TH MAY, 1929, at 11 O'CLOCK A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st DECEMBER, 1928, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 6TH MAY to 24TH MAY, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

PAUL LAUDER, General Manager.

Hong Kong, 1st May, 1929. [7721]

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.

(Incorporated in Hong Kong).

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTIETH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its HEAD OFFICE, UNION BUILDING, HONG KONG, on FRIDAY, 24TH MAY, 1929, at 11.15 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st DECEMBER, 1928, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 6TH MAY to 24TH MAY, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

PAUL LAUDER, General Manager.

Hong Kong, 1st May, 1929. [7722]

BRITISH TRADERS' INSURANCE CO., LTD.

(Incorporated in Hong Kong).

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTY-THIRD ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its HEAD OFFICE, UNION BUILDING, HONG KONG, on FRIDAY, 24TH MAY, 1929, at 11.20 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st DECEMBER, 1928, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 6TH MAY to 24TH MAY, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

PAUL LAUDER, General Manager.

Hong Kong, 1st May, 1929. [7723]

THE CHINESE ENGINEERING & MINING CO., LIMITED.

PAYMENT OF INTERIM DIVIDEND ON SHARES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1929.

THE Board having declared an INTERIM DIVIDEND of Two Shillings Per Share, Free of Income Tax, for the year ending 30TH JUNE, 1929, Holders of Bearer Shares and Holders of Dividend Warrants received from London on account of Registered Shares, will be paid their Dividends on presenting Coupon No. 34 of the Bearer Shares, and Dividend Warrants on Registered Shares, to either of the following Banks at Shanghai or Tientsin:

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P. C. YOUNG, General Manager.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

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be held on TUESDAY, the 21st Day

of MAY, 1929, at 3 P.M., at the Office

of the Public Works Department, by

Order of His Excellency the GOVERNOR,

of One Lot of CROWN LAND at

Shamshui, in the Colony of Hong

Kong, for a term of 70 years, commencing

from 1st July 1928, with the option

of renewal as a Crown Rent to be

fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty's

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less three days.

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No. of Site	Boundary	Locality	Contents	Area	Annual	Upset
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2	2, 1/2 x 1/2	At the S.W. corner of the lot, bounded by the road and the railway line.	1/2 acre, more or less.	1/2	10/6	13/6
3	2, 1/2 x 1/2	At the S.E. corner of the lot, bounded by the road and the railway line.	1/2 acre, more or less.	1/2	10/6	13/6
4	2, 1/2 x 1/2	At the N.E. corner of the lot, bounded by the road and the railway line.	1/2 acre, more or less.	1/2	10/6	13/6

WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 6.45 p.m., stated:—

The anticyclone to the east of Japan has weakened further. A depression covers the southern portion of the Eastern Sea. A shallow depression remains over Indo-China. Local Forecast:—S.W. or variable winds, moderate, fair to showery.

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HONG KONG, MAY 18, 1929.

THE INEFFICIENCY OF THE FIRE-BRIGADE.

GRADUALLY the truth about the Fire-brigade of the Colony is being dragged out. Some recent comment in these columns was made the subject of questions by the Hon. J. P. BRAGA at the recent meeting of the Legislative Council. In reply, Mr. T. H. KING, Captain Superintendent of Police (who is the responsible officer for the fire-brigade) gave figures purporting to show that our statements regarding annual "casualties" in the brigade were greatly exaggerated. Mr. KING has the advantage of us in being in possession of much later information than is available to the general public. He quotes figures for 1928 and even for the current year; up to the end of April last there were five resignations, 19 desertions, and 10 dismissals of Chinese members of the fire-brigade. During 1928 there were 31 resignations, 14 desertions, and 21 dismissals. In 1927 there "casualties" totalled 48, whereupon Mr. KING informs the Legislative Council and the community generally that these annual losses to the service approximate to 25 and not 50 per cent. of the strength of the brigade, as was stated in our recent comment on the subject. In regard to events during 1928 and the current year, we are not in a position to argue the case for the reason above stated. But on the official records available to us we are prepared to substantiate our statement that the standard of efficiency among the rank and file of the Hong Kong fire-brigade is low because nearly 50 per cent. of their number leave the service every year by dismissal, resignation, or desertion.

It is quite simple to explain how it comes about that Mr. KING's calculations give him "casualties" approximately 25 per cent. while our estimate works out at nearly double that figure. The Captain Superintendent of Police takes the full strength of the fire-brigade (from himself downwards), and works out his percentage of "casualties" from that figure. At first glance this seems the proper method, the only thing to do, but as a matter of fact it is not the correct way to get at the facts at issue. What we are concerned about is the rank and file of the Hong Kong fire-brigade—the Chinese firemen whose duty it is to operate those mechanical devices which we have been assured—include all the equipment recognised by the London fire-brigade authorities as effective life-saving apparatus. We are not concerned at the moment with the European staff; we are not interested in the coxswains, sailors, stokers, telephone operators, engine-drivers, lift operators, ambulance attendants, mechanics, fitters, and sundry other persons who are all connected in some way with the activities of the fire-brigade. They all do very necessary work, and we have no doubt they do it well; but it is not among these ratings that the "casualties" occur. These are not the men against whose names the words "resigned," "dismissed," or "deserted" are written with such deadly monotony every year, and it is therefore unfair to include them in any calculation of the percentage of "casualties" among the actual fire-fighters, upon whom more than any the efficiency of the brigade depends. The motor-ambulance work done by men associated with the fire-brigade, is an excellent service, but it is not fire-fighting, and it is with the efficiency of the fire-brigade as a fire-fighting service that we are concerned.

The most recent official statistics generally available cover the years 1925, 1926, and 1927. In the first of these reports we find there were 51 desertions, six resignations, three dismissals, and three deaths, these "casualties" totalling 63. Twenty-four desertions were due to the strike. At the end of that year the position was "still most unsatisfactory," there being only 35 Chinese firemen available out of a total establishment of 85. In the report for 1926 it was officially admitted that the work of the brigade was "still somewhat hampered" by the difficulty of finding suitable recruits. During the year there were 11 resignations of Chinese firemen, eight dismissals, and 18 desertions—37 "casualties" out of a force of 66 men. Fifty-eight recruits were passed into the brigade during the year, thus making good the "casualties," but still leaving the service far below its full establishment. In 1927 there were 16 resignations, 17 dismissals, and 22 desertions—55 "casualties" out of 120 firemen. We leave it to our readers to decide from these official figures whether we were guilty of exaggeration when we said that the efficiency of the rank and file of the brigade is low because nearly 50 per cent. of these men leave the service every year. Of course, if Mr. KING includes himself and the European officers, the ambulance men, and all the other ratings, he can bring the percentage of "casualties" down, but that does not disprove, nor does it in any way affect, the point at issue. Official records for the years mentioned show conclusively that Chinese accepted as recruits and passed for service as trained firemen have been either dismissed, resigned, or deserted in such numbers every year as to affect very seriously the efficiency and morale of the brigade. The fact that since the beginning of this year firemen are required to sign on for five years' service is further proof of the seriousness of the continual "casualties." As a result of Mr. BRAGA's questions in the Legislative Council, based upon our comments, we get official admission of the fact that this annual depletion of the fire-fighting force of the brigade was so alarming as to move the authorities to take steps to check it. We sincerely hope the new system will have the desired result.

The replies to other questions put by Mr. BRAGA revealed some further remarkable facts. We are told by the Captain Superintendent of Police that two of the principal causes of the "casualties" among his Chinese firemen are that the work is harder than they anticipate, and that they do not take kindly to the strict discipline necessary for efficient brigade work. But how does it come about that recruits who have not the requisite physical strength for the work gain admission to the service? And how is it that the admitted and inevitable looseness of fire-brigade discipline is not clearly explained to recruits before wasting time and money and patience in training them? We suspect, the answer to be that if more searching physical and moral tests were applied, no recruits would be forthcoming at all—at the present rate of inducement. Mr. KING thinks it a debatable question whether higher pay would attract better recruits. A more intelligent class of candidate might be attracted, but it is highly probable that he would possess a lower standard of physical strength and nerve. Obviously that would not improve matters, but it is a fact that sufficient men of brain and brawn, both of fair average quality, cannot be found in this Colony. We must beg leave to doubt it. During the strike in Hong Kong, when a number of firemen deserted, many Chinese gentlemen promptly volunteered their services to meet the emergency. It was found, however, that they were not altogether capable of performing the strenuous and dangerous work required of them—naturally enough. The same thing would happen in any community. We have repeatedly emphasised that a fireman's job is a difficult and dangerous one, that it calls for mental and physical activity of a much higher degree than is needed for pulling a ricksha or carrying a chair, and that not every man who aspires to wearing high boots and a helmet is by nature qualified to discharge a fireman's duties efficiently. But we do believe that if better wages and working conditions were offered, men of the right type would offer their services. And until such men are enrolled in the brigade, it cannot be expected that the European officers in charge of the fire-brigade in this Colony can make the best use either of the men under them or of the apparatus at their command.

News and Views.

Two cases of small-pox (both Chinese) were reported from Victoria on Thursday.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending May 4 amounted to 86,996 tons, and the sales during the period to 118,341 tons.

The Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Dramatic Society gave a performance of "Lord Richard in the Pantry" at the Rudolph Steiner Hall, Park-road, N.W.1.

A Russian named Alexander Theodore Drujckoff (18) was sent yesterday to the Government Civil Hospital. According to a Police report he became ill while in the Police Headquarters.

The Foreign Office announces that Sir J. T. Pratt, one of H.M. Consuls-General in China, has been given the acting rank of Counsellor in the Diplomatic Service while employed in the Foreign Office.

The inquiry into the death of the late Mr. W. Keegan, which was to have taken place yesterday afternoon, was postponed owing to the indisposition of Mr. E. W. Hamilton. The inquest is now fixed for Wednesday afternoon.

Two Chinese were each sentenced to three months' hard labour by Mr. N. L. Smith at Central Magistrate yesterday on a charge of preparing opium at a house in Titi Hong Lane. Revenue officers who raided the house actually caught the defendants preparing opium.

A specially prepared score of Russian music was purchased by the management of the Hong Kong Amusements, Ltd., for John Gilbert's latest picture "The Cossacks," which is showing today at the Queen's Theatre. This music is being played at every performance.

Appointments recently announced by the Admiralty include that of Captain Ernest W. Leir, D.S.O., to be Captain-in-Charge and King's Harbour Master at Portland. Captain Leir entered the service in 1896, and saw active service as midshipman during the Boxer War.

The proprietor of a Chinese import and export firm at No. 79, Connaught Road Central, reported to the Police yesterday that he entrusted his *foki* with \$2,362 to pay various firms. He subsequently ascertained that the *foki* had absconded with \$2,200 of the money.

The sloop *Hollyhock*, which was relieved on the China Station last year by the *Cornflower*, is to be paid off at Portsmouth in preparation for sale. The *Hollyhock* was among the sloops of the "flower" class ordered in 1914 and completed in 1915. In the spring of 1920 she was sent to China.

The late Mr. Alastair Cameron, merchant and shipowner, a director of several shipping companies and of the P. & O. Banking Corporation, left unsettled property valued for the purposes of the English Grant at \$339,538 gross, with net personally \$331,004, "so far as as present can be ascertained."

Prince George is to attend the Empire Day dinner of the Royal Empire Society in the Hotel Victoria on May 24. The Duke of Connaught, President of the Society, is to preside. The Society's annual reception takes place this year in the Imperial Institute, South Kensington, on June 28.

The police have arrested three men who are alleged to have taken part in a robbery in a lonely hut in Ngau Shi Wan on Thursday night. A motor-car driver lost money and property to the extent of \$10 but the police have since recovered a suit of clothing worth \$7. The robbers gained entry into the hut by pretending they wanted to buy cakes. When the door was opened to them, one of their number produced a knife and threatened the chauffeur.

Mr. N. L. Smith imposed fines of \$20 each on two coolies who were charged at Central Magistrate yesterday with theft of a bag of cement. Both defendants denied that they meant to steal the cement, the first explaining that he wanted to build a cement bath in the coolie's quarters of one of Messrs. Lam Woo's smashed and the other explaining that he wanted to carry out some minor repairs in their spare hours. Fourteen days' hard labour was the alternative to the fine imposed.

The Order of Saint Michael and Saint George observed St. George's Day by holding its annual commemorative service in St. Paul's Cathedral, London. Sir Frank Swettenham (King at Arms) was present, and the following Knights were among those who walked in the procession: Lord Southborough, Sir Matthew Nathan, and Sir Francis Aglen. Others present included Sir John Birchough, Sir William Max-Muller, Mr. W. P. Ker, C.M.G., and Major-General Sir John Duncan, C.M.G.

The five cruisers of the Kent class now serving in China are to be brought home in turn as they become due for recommissioning, and in some cases they will be refitted before returning to China. Hitherto, with the smaller cruisers stationed in the Far East, the relief crews have usually been sent out in other cruisers and the ships recommissioned at Hong Kong. The first to return will be the *Cumberland*, which is to leave the station on September 15, and is to refit at Chatham before returning to China. During 1930 the other four ships will come home, the *Berwick* leaving the station on February 1, the *Suffolk* on June 15, and the *Comwall* on November 1.

China's Future.

The Rev. E. J. Bentley (late Missionary in North China and lecturer in Yenching University, Peking) said a slight knowledge of history was enough to show that a country might pass through a time of extreme chaos and emerge to a future full of hope. There were the students of China to whom, through the revolution in their studies, it was not too much to say that a new world was opening. Those who knew the Chinese student would agree that far larger than his compartment for friendship. His engaging simplicity, his sense of humour, and delicacy of feeling must have struck those who were intimate with him. He made a very good friend, and even when the tension was at its greatest in recent times, the friendships between Chinese students and foreign teachers still held. The task was to bring the influence of Christ to bear upon those students. The Chinese wanted teachers for their missionaries.

Where

WORLD NAVAL SUPREMACY.

THE UNITED STATES' GAIN.
HELPED BY THE WASHINGTON TREATY.

London.—Concurrent with reports of America's willingness to resume conversations on naval disarmament with Great Britain, and the resumption of work by the Preparatory Disarmament Commission in Geneva, Mr. Hector C. Bywater, the well-informed naval correspondent of the *Daily Telegraph*, writes showing that the United States gained and did not lose world naval supremacy at the Washington Conference in 1921.

He plainly points out that if the Washington Conference had not been held, the United States would have ranked a poor third on the seas of the world. He quotes official statistics to show that Great Britain, on the eve of the Washington meeting was preparing to launch a shipbuilding programme that would soon have made her far more powerful than the United States.

The Battleship Controversy.
"When President Harding," writes Mr. Bywater, "issued his invitations in April, 1921, the United States had in hand four battleships of 32,000 tons, armed with eight 16in. guns; six battleships of 43,500 tons with twelve 16in. guns; and six battle cruisers of 43,500 tons with eight 18in. guns. All these ships had been designed in 1918 and although their plans had been subsequently modified they did not incorporate the full lessons of the war, judged by the post-Jutland standard."

The expert then gives the standing strength of Japan at the same date, adding that Japan had authorized and was preparing to build eight battleships and eight cruisers which alone would have eclipsed the American.

Turning to Great Britain, Mr. Bywater states that on March of 1921, Parliament had voted credit for laying down four "Super Hood's" which would have been vastly superior to the American cruisers at all points. Each boat would have displaced 48,000 tons and would have been 4,500 tons heavier than the American ships, besides carrying nine 16in. guns.

The following year the British Admiralty would have followed with four more battleships of 48,500 tons carrying nine 16in. guns.

Terrific Armaments.
"Compared with these monsters," continues the *Telegraph* correspondent, "and their terrific armament the American ships then building would have cut a poor figure, and would indeed have been rendered obsolete even before launching."

"Having once begun the replenishment of our battle fleet with post-Jutland units, it is reasonable to assume that we should have continued the process of a one power standard. By the time the United States had completed her sixteen ships we should, in all probability, have had an equal number building or on order. Concurrently, Japan, in the Pacific would have been creating a new battle fleet more formidable in aggregate tonnage and armament than that of the United States."

"In view of these revelations, which are based on official information, the claim that the United States sacrificed naval supremacy at the Washington Conference falls to the ground and with it the whole case on which post-conference navy propaganda has been built."

"Had the conference now taken place it is extremely probable that by now the British Navy would have been easily first in capital ship-power, Japan second, and the United States a none-too-close third."

SUN YAT SEN'S FUNERAL.

MAUSOLEUM IN PURPLE MOUNTAINS.

[British United Press.]

Nanking.—The remains of Dr. Sun Yat Sen, "founder of the Chinese Republic," will be interred in a magnificent mausoleum on the Purple Mountain on the outskirts of Nanking on June 1. The mausoleum has been completed after months of work and is a magnificent Chinese structure, approached by a broad avenue of steps and terraces.

Dr. Sun died in Peking on March 12, 1925, and his remains were temporarily interred in the Western Hills outside the old capital. Madame Sun Yat Sen will accompany the body on its journey by rail. Madame Sun is a member of the famous Soong family, and in Peking will meet her younger sister who is the wife of President Chiang. President Chiang and high officials of the Government will accompany the body to Nanking. The coffin will be transported in a special railway coach over the Tientsin-Pukow Railway line.

OIL PRODUCTION SCHEMES.

A REVOLUTION IN METHODS.

HUGE CAPACITY.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, May 17. The Shell Petroleum Corporation is joining a group of financiers in erecting the largest oil cracking unit in the industry.

The new plant, which is expected to revolutionise petrol production, will be built at Wood River, Illinois, and will have a capacity of 480,000 gallons.

FIGHTING POSTPONED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Peking, May 17. The Kuomintang are reported to have destroyed part of the tunnel at Wushengkwang on the Honan-Hupeh border, also the railway bridge at Changtcho in Honan.

It is generally thought here that fighting is inevitable although it is believed that Chiang will not take the offensive until the situation near Canton improves.

Sun Yat Sen's funeral may also cause a postponement.

The Kuomintang are massed at Tachow, and also along the Peking-Hankow Railway between Chengchow and the Hupeh border.

A Premature Report.

Hankow, May 17. Reports that fighting has broken out on the Hupeh-Honan border are premature. Nationalist troops are all on this side of Kwangshui, and there is no sign that hostilities have commenced.

HUNAN'S ADVANCE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Nanking, May 17. General Ho Chien wies that the Kwang troops are in tight southwards to Luchow, which is the next objective of the Hunan forces.

MADAME SUN YAT SEN.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Nanking, May 17. A Kuo Min report is that owing to official business Chiang Kai Shek may postpone or even abandon his trip to Peking. Madame Chiang Kai Shek will go north shortly to join her sister, Madame Sun Yat Sen, at Peking.

SIR MILES LAMPSON.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Shanghai, May 17. Sir Miles Lampson arrived here this afternoon from Peking.

GRENADEIER GUARDS PARADE.

BRILLIANT SPECTACLE.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Russ, May 16. The Grenadier Guards, on the Horse Guards Parade, were inspected by the Duke of York this morning.

All three battalions of Grenadiers were on parade, one battalion came from the Tower of London and the other battalions from Chelsea Barracks and Brompton Barracks.

The Duke of Connaught, wearing the uniform of the Grenadiers, of whom he had been Colonel for 25 years, arrived along with the Prince of Wales, who was in the uniform of the Welsh Guards.

In the window of the archway sat the Duke and Duchess of York, Prince Arthur of Connaught and the Princess Royal.

Two hundred policemen, who had worn the uniform of the regiment, stood drawn upon the Duke's left, their blue uniforms contrasting vividly with the scarlet of the soldiers.

On the Duke's right were drawn up lines of civilians, who had been in the Grenadiers.

The Duke rode along the ranks inspecting the battalions, who marched in columns of companies past the saluting base.

The Duke of Connaught took the salute once more at the gateway of Clarence House, his home, while the band played.

Half-an-hour later the first battalion were marching back through the city to the Tower of London. They exercised their ancient privilege of marching through the city with fixed bayonets, and from the balcony of the Mansion House the Lord-Mayor took their salute.

LADIES' OPEN GOLF.

MISS WETHERED'S GREAT WIN.

A FINE RECOVERY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

St. Andrews, May 17. In fine weather, before 3,000 spectators, many of whom were American golfers including Horton Smith and Robert Harlow, Hagen's manager, Miss Glenna Collett won the first two holes, Miss Wethered taking three putts at both holes. Miss Wethered took the third sinking a 2-yard putt for a "birdie" three. The fourth was halved.

Miss Collett won the fifth, and the sixth was halved. Miss Wethered missed a 2-ft. putt at the seventh, becoming three down. Miss Collett won the eighth, holding a 30-yarder for two, and also won the ninth. Miss Wethered missed a yard putt. Miss Collett's score of 34 for the first nine is described as the greatest achievement of all times by a woman on the old course at St. Andrews.

At the end of the morning round of 18 holes, Miss Collett was up 2 on Miss Wethered.

The next four were divided. After bad play through the green Miss Wethered holed a yard putt for five at the long fourteenth, winning to the accompaniment of cheers. The fifteenth was halved.

Miss Wethered won the sixteenth and the next was halved. Miss Collett's second shot at the eighteenth hit a hollow and finished 20 yards from the hole. She was six yards short with her first putt, Miss Wethered winning.

St. Andrews, Later. Miss Joyce Wethered (Worpleston) beat Miss Glenna Collett (U.S.A.) in the Final over 36 holes by 3 up and 1 to play.

1,000 GUINEAS CONTEST.

Moorstown, May 17. Results of games played to-day were:—

Davies beat Duncan, 1 up. Turness (U.S.A.) beat Taylor, 3 and 4.

Jolly beat Compton at the 21st. Chas. Whitcombe beat Diegel (U.S.A.), 2 and 1.

Duncan's Defeat.

Duncan lost the first, and squared the fifth, where Davies was trapped in the bushes. Davies became one up again at the seventh, through his opponent being bunkered. The remaining holes were all halved.

SIR ARTHUR FLETCHER'S APPOINTMENT.

GOVERNOR OF FIJI.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

London, May 16. Sir Arthur Murchison Fletcher, has been appointed Governor of Fiji and High Commissioner of the Western Pacific.

[Sir Arthur George Murchison Fletcher, K.C.M.G., C.B.E., C.M.G., who is at present Colonial Secretary of Ceylon, was Colonial Secretary of Hong Kong for many years. He came to Hong Kong in 1901 as a Civil Service cadet and gradually worked his way through various departments. Sir Arthur is the son of Dr. Fletcher of Highgate, London, and was born in 1878. In 1915 he married Miss Dorothy Rogers-Harrison, daughter of Lieut.-Col. Rogers-Harrison, I.M.S.]

PROPOSED EMPIRE CONFERENCE.

QUESTIONS OF STATUS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

London, May 16. It is learned that the first practical step in preparing for the next Imperial Conference has been taken by the summoning of Empire representatives to meet in London in October to consider legal questions regarding the operation of Dominions legislation.

These include the question of defining the status of the various Governors-General as representatives of His Majesty the King and the extra-territoriality of Dominions legislation affecting merchant shipping.

Mr. Mackenzie King, the Canadian Premier, will be the only Dominion Premier who can possibly attend this gathering, which will be an inter-departmental committee as proposed by the last Imperial Conference.

GRAF ZEPPELIN RETURNS.

A MECHANICAL BREAKDOWN.

PASSENGERS CONSULTED.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, May 16. The Graf Zeppelin which early this afternoon passed over Barcelona, wireless this evening: "Two motors broken, heading back."

Much disappointment is felt through the postponement of the visit, for which elaborate arrangements had been made at Lakehurst, to which hundreds of marines and special police had been despatched to cope with the enormous crowds expected.

Commander Eckener decided to return at 6.35 in the evening after conferring with the passengers.

The Graf Zeppelin has wirelessed stating that she is eight miles south of the Rhone Delta, travelling slowly against a strong wind.

Limping Home.

Berlin, May 17. A Graf Zeppelin passenger has wirelessed that owing to a head wind and the breakdown of the two engines, the airship is only flying 30 miles per hour. It is hoped to reach Friedrichshafen to-night.

THE K.C.R.

EARLY RESUMPTION OF SERVICE.

The *Daily Press* is informed that the bridge at Shekwan, on the Kowloon-Canton Railway, has now been put in a temporary state of repair. Accordingly, a slow through train to Canton was due to leave the Kowloon terminal at 9.15 this morning, under instructions to proceed "dead slow" over the repaired bridge.

If the test is satisfactory, the through express service will be resumed as soon as practicable. It is understood that a repair gang from the Kowloon Terminal have been at work on the bridge for the last day or two in conjunction with the Canton engineers and crew.

PEARIFLE EXPLODES.

BOY WOUNDED.

Forbes.—When William Shirvington, a 15-year-old boy, accidentally shot himself in the thigh with a post-rifle some miles out of town, his young mate, Darby Holden, carried him half a mile to the main road, where both were picked up by a car, and taken to hospital.

The boys were out rabbiting, and the gun exploded when they were getting through a fence. The bullet was extracted, and Shirvington is progressing favourably. Holden is a small build, and showed admirable courage in carrying the other boy such a distance.

BEAN IN THROAT.

CAUSES CHILD'S DEATH.

Lithgow.—A bean got caught in the throat of the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Quince and caused her death by choking.

The child was leaving her home with a companion when Mrs. Quince recalled her.

Disappointed at not being permitted to leave the premises, the child, who had the bean in her mouth, began to cry. While she was sobbing the intake of her breath caused the bean to lodge in her throat and she died almost instantly.

INDIANS IN CANADA.

Dr. Rabindranath Tagore, who is representing India at the National Education Conference, has given a message urging Indians domiciled in Canada to bring up their children in accordance with the customs of Canada and to make them good Canadian citizens.

Dr. Tagore noted that Indians in Canada were not able to bring out their own way of life. He urged the importance of Indians adopting local customs and conforming to the requirements of Canadian citizenship.

THE CLEVELAND FIRE.

DUE TO SPONTANEOUS COMBUSTION.

AN INVESTIGATION.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

Cleveland, May 16. The hospital fire is officially attributed to spontaneous combustion among the celluloid X-ray plates in the basement storeroom, due to over-heating, as the result of a leaking steampipe.

The building still reeks of poison gas.

The gas, acting on the blood of yesterday night's victims is responsible for the additional deaths hourly.

So far 125 have died.

The most stringent investigation is proceeding.

CANADA'S ROLE IN WORLD AFFAIRS.

RELATIONS WITH AMERICA, JAPAN, AND FRANCE.

EMPIRE UNITY.

Mr. Mackenzie King, the Prime Minister of Canada, in an article on Canada's Legations abroad appearing in the *Canadian Nation*, the official organ of the Canadian clubs of Canada, details the gradual growth of Canada's participation in foreign relations and the establishment of the Dominion's.

After referring to the establishment of the Canadian Legations at Washington, Paris, and Tokyo as the logical sequel to Canada's growing relationships with these countries, which necessitate direct representation and speedy consultation, the Premier notes that in all cases where British and Imperial interests are concerned there is consultation with the British Ambassadors and the representatives of the other parts of the Empire.

Country's Rapid Growth.

He concludes as follows:—"Whether we like it or not, our country cannot escape a rapid growth in her international relations, nor can we escape those special responsibilities and obligations, as well as opportunities, which arise out of Canada's geographical position in the British Commonwealth of Nations."

"The United States is our nearest neighbour, our only neighbour on the continent of North America. France is our nearest neighbour, our oldest neighbour, on the continent of Europe. Japan is our nearest neighbour on the continent of Asia. We hold immediate relations, and relations ever increasing in importance, with each of these countries."

"On the world scale our country's position is that of centre of a sort of world amphitheatre. Surrounded as we are on three sides by great Powers, our frontiers are completely exposed. In friendship and goodwill more than in aught else lies our security."

Friendly Relations.

"These three countries in turn have relations with Great Britain, with possibilities and consequences far more vast than those arising out of her relations with any other of the nations of the world. Problems of the Atlantic and problems of the Pacific and all that lie between are bound up in that relationship."

"This of itself is an all-sufficient reason why Canada should seek to inform herself at first hand, and keep informed on what is transpiring in each of these countries, and why she, to the extent of her power, should at all times see that the friendliest of relations should be maintained between these countries and the British Empire."

"To do our part in maintaining the unity of the British Commonwealth of Nations and to further to the utmost of our ability friendly relations between the British Empire and the rest of the world, and in particular the three Great Powers which I have mentioned—this, it seems to me, is Canada's rôle in international affairs."

INFANT'S STRANGE DIET.

PINS, NEEDLES, AND BUTTONS.

Wellington (N.Z.).—When an eight-month-old baby was operated on at Wanganui after swallowing a button, 33 pins, needles, safety pins, and buttons were found in its stomach. The child is making a good recovery.

It has been ascertained that an older child fed this strange mixed diet to the baby when no one was watching.

CIVIL SERVANTS AT HOME.

PREMIER'S SPIRITED DEFENCE.

"MISREPRESENTATION."

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

London, May 16.

Mr. Baldwin addressed a meeting of electors of the City of London this afternoon. Within the general area of the City of London, he said, was unrivalled financial power and responsibility. It had not been built up on new policies but primarily on old.

Referring to the safeguarding of industries, Mr. Baldwin said it would normally be applied after appreciation of specific industry and after impartial inquiry. Iron and steel would be treated exactly like any other industry. It would have to make out its case before the Tribunal. He had pledged himself to impose no food duties.

Liberals Attacked.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Fashionably dressed women mingled with top-hatted business and industrial magnates at a meeting of the City of London electors, addressed by Mr. Baldwin.

The Premier, at the outset, replied to the Opposition attack regarding the issue of the "White Paper" and mentioned that the sales had already exceeded the cost of production. He charged the Liberals with acting unconstitutionally and being guilty of misrepresentation when they asserted that civil servants were unable to find a flaw in Mr. Lloyd George's scheme. "The Government forbore publishing the civil servants' criticisms of the scheme, as this would have been unconstitutional, and did the only possible thing to stop further misrepresentation and to protect civil servants."

Comrades!

Sir Austen Chamberlain, at Birmingham, said that Mr. Baldwin had invited him to continue to be Foreign Secretary in the new Parliament and he proposed to do so.

LABOUR PARTY AND WOMEN.

MR. MACDONALD'S REPLY TO DEPUTATION.

A deputation from the General Election Campaign Committee of the National Union of Societies for Equal Citizenship waited on Mr. MacDonald at the House of Commons and placed before him the points the societies wished to see included in the Labour Party's General Election programme.

Mr. MacDonald informed the deputation that the Labour Party stood for equality and for the inspiring conception that in citizenship it should be forgotten that there were men and that there were women. The trouble had always been the difference of views among the women themselves—a difference not so much of fundamentals as a difference in opinion as to how certain desirable aims were to be reached. He agreed that alterations in the law were desirable, so that a British woman who married an alien should not automatically lose her nationality.

More Women Police.

In principle he agreed with the deputation that married persons should be separately assessed and separately taxed for income-tax, and that each should have the right to their own abatements. The Labour Party agreed that the raising of the legal age of marriage in Great Britain, which now stands at 12 for girls and 14 for boys, was desirable.

Mr. MacDonald also agreed that the appointment of more women police was necessary, and agreed with the proposal of the right of women Peers to sit in the House of Lords.

With regard to equal pay and opportunities for men and women in the Civil Service, and against the dismissal of women on marriage, he said: "We have said that we are in favour of the principle of equal payment and opportunities, and we stand by it."

The Labour Party was opposed to the dismissal of women solely on the ground of marriage. He agreed with the need for the peaceful settlement of international disputes, and said that on this question he thought the Labour Party's record would give the deputation all the assurances which they sought.

Telegrams in Brief.

It is announced that the General Motors Corporation has purchased 400,000 shares in the common stock of the Fokker Aircraft Company of America. This represents 40 per cent of the interest in the Fokker concern.

The German Minister of Finance announces that at present only 300,000,000 marks of the big loan will be offered for public subscription. It will be issued at 99 with interest at seven per cent. It will not be redeemable for five years after which ten per cent of the total will be repaid annually.

Ex-President Pangalos of Greece, and ex-Ministers Vassopoulou and General Nider have been arrested on a charge of speculating in foreign exchanges, and with concluding disadvantageous contracts during their administration three years ago.

In the Louisiana Senate Court the impeachment has been abandoned of Governor Long on charges of misuse of state funds, bribery, etc., owing to Long's political supporters inducing a sufficient number of citizens to sign a statement declaring that they will vote for his acquittal regardless of the charges, as they believe the evidence "have been brought in violation of the Constitution."

Mr. Henry English Fulford, ex-Consul-General in Tientsin, has been found in his bedroom in Melbourne, shot dead. He had lately been in ill-health.

Mr. H. L. Stimson, Secretary of State in Washington, has announced that no officer of the Federal Reserve Board, or any other official, will be permitted to serve in the International Bank planned by the conference of Reparations Experts in Paris. He declares that the United States Government views with sympathy and interest the work of the experts, but did not wish to have any American official directly or indirectly connected with the collection of German reparations.

Another suspected case of plague has been discovered among the isolated workmen at the Osaka ironworks, where plague-infected steamers are being repaired. The authorities have decided to fumigate all incoming vessels from Bombay.

It is announced that the Duke of Gloucester will cancel his visit to Osaka, and proceed to Gifu direct from Kobe on Tuesday afternoon.

BOY "KIDNAPPED" BY HIS MOTHER.

TAXICAB RIDE FROM SCHOOL.

DIVORCE PETITION.

A boy who, it was alleged, was taken away from school in a taxicab by his mother after she left her husband, was concerned in a case heard at York Police Court, when Mr. Harold Newsham applied under the Guardianship of Infants Act for the custody of his son Peter, aged seven, from his mother, Mrs. Chrissie Newsham, giving a London address.

"This Is Good-bye."

Mr. W. H. Spink said that the father and mother lived together at Balmoral Terrace, York, until June, when Mrs. Newsham went away, leaving a note in which she wrote:—

"This is good-bye. I cannot stay any longer. Do not try to find me, and please do not think me as bad as people make me out. Love and care for little Peter. I think it best to leave him behind. Get some one to share your love and home far more worthy of it than I am."

Mr. Spink explained that the child remained with his father until the mother took him away from school, since when Mr. Newsham had not seen him. Mr. Newsham was presenting a divorce petition, and the father's home was, in his submission, the proper place for the child.

Mrs. Newsham contended that Mr. Newsham's mother, at more than seventy years of age, was not qualified to look after the child. The Bench decided that the father was the proper person to look after the child.

Mrs. Newsham was granted leave to appeal.

RAZOR ATTACK.

MAN CHARGED.

George Prestitt Earl, blacksmith, 49 years of age, was charged at Sydney with having maliciously inflicted grievous bodily harm on Peter Crough.

Sergeant Napper, police prosecutor, said that defendant was found struggling on the floor of a room with Crough. It was alleged that a blood-stained razor was taken out of defendant's hand, and Crough had to be taken to hospital, where eleven stitches were inserted in his head.

Defendant was remanded, bail being fixed in one surety for £100.

Money and Markets

HONG KONG MARKET REPORTS.

Latest market quotations for rice, cotton yarn, etc., are as follows:—

Rice.	Per Picul.
Annam—	
No. 1	7.30
No. 2	7.25
No. 3	7.20
No. 4	7.15
No. 5	7.10
No. 6	7.05
No. 7	7.00
No. 8	6.95
No. 9	6.90
No. 10	6.85
No. 11	6.80
No. 12	6.75
No. 13	6.70
No. 14	6.65
No. 15	6.60
No. 16	6.55
No. 17	6.50
No. 18	6.45
No. 19	6.40
No. 20	6.35
No. 21	6.30
No. 22	6.25
No. 23	6.20
No. 24	6.15
No. 25	6.10
No. 26	6.05
No. 27	6.00
No. 28	5.95
No. 29	5.90
No. 30	5.85
No. 31	5.80
No. 32	5.75
No. 33	5.70
No. 34	5.65
No. 35	5.60
No. 36	5.55
No. 37	5.50
No. 38	5.45
No. 39	5.40
No. 40	5.35
No. 41	5.30
No. 42	5.25
No. 43	5.20
No. 44	5.15
No. 45	5.10
No. 46	5.05
No. 47	5.00
No. 48	4.95
No. 49	4.90
No. 50	4.85
No. 51	4.80
No. 52	4.75
No. 53	4.70
No. 54	4.65
No. 55	4.60
No. 56	4.55
No. 57	4.50
No. 58	4.45
No. 59	4.40
No. 60	4.35
No. 61	4.30
No. 62	4.25
No. 63	4.20
No. 64	4.15
No. 65	4.10
No. 66	4.05
No. 67	4.00
No. 68	3.95
No. 69	3.90
No. 70	3.85
No. 71	3.80
No. 72	3.75
No. 73	3.70
No. 74	3.65
No. 75	3.60
No. 76	3.55
No. 77	3.50
No. 78	3.45
No. 79	3.40
No. 80	3.35
No. 81	3.30
No. 82	3.25
No. 83	3.20
No. 84	3.15
No. 85	3.10
No. 86	3.05
No. 87	3.00
No. 88	2.95
No. 89	2.90
No. 90	2.85
No. 91	2.80
No. 92	2.75
No. 93	2.70
No. 94	2.65
No. 95	2.60
No. 96	2.55
No. 97	2.50
No. 98	2.45
No. 99	2.40
No. 100	2.35

CANTON COTTON YARN MARKET.

According to a cable from Shanghai, the price has dropped by one tael. The Canton market remains dull and prices are three to four dollars lower. Latest quotations are as follows:—

No. 8 Lion	\$190
Lion No. 2	180
Hut Hou	182
No. 10 Sailing Vessel	250
Golden City	247
Peacock	248
Lotus & Bee	243
Double Lions	240
Five Lions	240
Xan Chung	245
Tai Fat	248
Tak Lee	248
Excellent Crops	237
No. 12 Golden City	284
Peacock	285
Foo Kwai	282
Poo Yee	282
Tram-car	282
Pretty Damsel	287
Aeroplane	282
Tak Lee	282
No. 18 Globe	272
Foo Kwai	268
Yan Chung	264
No. 20 Golden City	290
Globe	273
Good Harvest	272
Sin Tao	274
Blue Phoenix	270
Nis Fook	269
Hung Hay	270
Muk Yang	269
Poo Yee	270
Three Stars	170
No. 22 Choy Kou	370
Blue Phoenix	360
Tin Koon	360
Pine & Deer	368
Sheng Hay	358
No. 42 Yang Hok	440
Butterfly	438
Foon Hay	436

STOCKS AND SHARES.

LATEST LONDON QUOTATIONS.

["D.P." Special Service.]

Prices quoted on the London Stock Exchange on Thursday, May 16, for the following bonds, stocks, and shares were as under:—

Allied News, 24.
Amalgamated Press, 25/8.
Anglo-Persian Oil, 90/7.
British-American Tobacco Co., 613/32.
Bradford Dyes, 41/-.
Branston Art Silk, ordinary, 13/9.
Branston Art Silk, deferred, 8/7.
Burmah Oil, 96/10.
Canadian Pacific, 238.
Coca-Cola, 60/-.
Cortauld, 41.
Cunard, 94/8.
Dunlop, 19/10.
French 5 per cent., 20.
Guinness Brewery, 20/5.
Hudson Bay Co., 24.

COTTON REPORTS.

We have received, by the courtesy of Messrs. Pentreath & Co. the following report, dated April 23, from Messrs. Hornby, Hemelryk & Co., of Liverpool:

American Cotton.

The market has been distinctly easier during the past week, and values are about 35 points lower than a week ago. The decline is partly due to anxiety in this country as to the outcome of the General Election, and partly to reports of good weather in the South, which naturally caused people to increase their ideas regarding the probable output of the new crop. As far as Lancashire is concerned, there has been a little more business passing during the past week. The demand from India has been more encouraging, and the enquiry from China has also shown a little improvement in spite of the abandonment of the boycott of Japanese goods in that country. We read that one very big spinner in Lancashire is reverting to full time, which looks as if orders are a little more plentiful in some departments. On the other hand, an unofficial strike in Oldham is causing some anxiety. The emergency committee of the Master Cotton Spinners' Federation meet to-day, and it is hinted that they may recommend a general lock-out unless the strike is abandoned.

Our advice both by mail and by cable state that textile activity in America continues fairly satisfactory. Some reports to hand speak of increased cloth sales. The distribution of American cotton to the world spinners was 279,000 last week, against 268,000 bales last year, which brings the total so far this season to 12,623,000 bales an increase of 739,000 bales over the distribution for the same period last year. The total visible supply is now 4,030,000 bales, compared with 4,230,000 a year ago. As will be seen from the above figures, the statistical position of American cotton is quite strong, but there is increasing competition from outside growths, the visible supply of which has now risen to 2,400,000 bales, which is a record, and this has also been somewhat in the nature of a deterrent.

At the present moment, the market is pessimistic and will probably remain so for a short while, but we warn our friends that any threat to the crop which is being planted, either by less favourable weather, or by boll weevil activity, or an increased outbreak by spinners, would cause an immediate reversal of feeling. We might find ourselves at a much higher level almost overnight should anything happen to threaten an adequate supply for next season. This is the wrong time of the year for the bear. He may have a fleeting success, but until the crop is out of danger, it is, to our mind, dangerous to be on the short side. We continue, therefore, to recommend our spinner friends to secure their requirements in flat markets.

Empire Cotton.

During the past week a small business has been done in Brazilians. The turnover in Peruvians has been moderate, and that of East Indian descriptions shows improvement. Spot sales: 730, 2,310 and 880 bales respectively. According to our advices by mail from Bombay, there is not much enquiry for Broach. Heavy tenders were made against April/May contracts, 6,000 bales being tendered in the first two tender days. Heavy long liquidation was in evidence, and there was a good deal of short covering on the decline. A large number of April/May contracts have been transferred to July/August Broach. One of our Bombay correspondents cables that the statistical position is not encouraging. The demand is considered insufficient to maintain prices.

Egyptian Cotton.

The market is easier in sympathy with America, fairly heavy liquidation having been in evidence. At the time of writing, liquidation looks about over, and the market seems ready to respond to any favourable development.

Writing on the 12th inst., one of our Alexandria correspondents says that the proposed taxation of Egyptian cotton into the United States is still the main subject of discussion. The Farmers' Relief Bill proposes a substantial increase in the Customs Tariff on imported cotton—22.5 per cent. on Ashmouni and 24.16 per cent. on Sakel. Interested parties comment differently on the eventual effects of the new bill and on the date when it will enter into force. In the meantime the Egyptian Government is, we understand, taking energetic steps in Washington to have the bill abandoned.

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HONG KONG SHARE MARKET.

BENJAMIN & POTTS' WEEKLY SHARE REPORT.

HONG KONG, May 17.

During the period under review we have had a very quiet and uninteresting market with a small volume of business passing and few changes in prices.

Banks.—Hong Kong and Shanghai Banks in sympathy with the recovery in the London quotation to 2133½ (Middle) have buyers locally at 21,225 and sales were made at this rate.

Marine and Fire Insurance.—Unions were dealt in at the outset at 2370, but have since weakened and are on offer at 2363. Cantons have buyers at 2695 and China Fires at 2300. Hong Kong Fire has lapsed to a nominal quotation of 2775.

Shipping.—Preferred Indos have further risen and are in demand at 247½. Small sales of Douglas Steamships have taken place below the quoted rate of 233. Tugs and lighters are required for at 231. Steamboats are unchanged with sellers at 226.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharves are wanted at 212½ but no shares are available at this price. Whampoa Docks were taken off the market at 247½. China Providents are in demand at 24½. Shanghai Docks were negotiated up to 215 but closed easier. New Engineering is a shade higher at 215.35.

Lands, Hotels and Buildings.—Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels have been the medium of a fair turnover at 28.85/89, though a few shares are obtainable at the close at 28.90. Hong Kong Lands at 262. Humphreys Estates at 214.35 and Realty at 28.35 are steady at quotations.

Public Utilities.—Hong Kong Electric were realised again at 238 but ended slightly easier with sellers at 237½. China Lights changed hands at 213½ Cum Rights. Hong Kong Trams after sales at 218½, have buyers at 218.30. Star Ferries can be placed at 268½. Telephones at 27 have not moved.

Miscellaneous.—Green Island Cements (Combined), after transactions at 28.15, have further buyers at this rate. Hong Kong Reps were dealt in up to 27½, but have not maintained the rise and their closing nominal at 27.10. A slight improvement is to be noted in Dairy Farms and sales have been made at 219½. Hong Kong Amusements have further declined to 230. Kailans "Bearer" have hardened and buyers are now offering 66½. Hong Kong Government Loan is firmer and can be placed at 24 per cent. premium.

Cotton Mills.—There is rather a better tone in this market, although little change is apparent in quotations. Ewos are in demand at 215.12.65 after sales at this figure. Orientals are required for at 215.2, while Shanghai Cottons (Old) with a dividend of 215.2 pending for the six months ending April 30 have buyers at 215.72.

Exchange.—The T.T. rate on London to-day is 1/11½ and on Shanghai 81.

Forward Settlement Days.—May 25 and June 25, 1929.

EXCHANGE RATES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Paris	124.15
New York	4.35 1/16
Brussels	34.935
Geneva	25.185
Amsterdam	12.78
Milan	92.65
Berlin	20.48
Stockholm	18.163
Copenhagen	18.203
Oslo	18.193
Vienna	34.54
Prague	163½
Helsingfors	183½
Madrid	34.155
Lisbon	162½
Athens	27½
Rio	5 57/64
Buenos Aires	47 5/16
Bombay	1/5 59/32
Shanghai	2/61
Hong Kong	1/11½
Yokohama	1/10 3/32
Silver, spot & forward	23 3/10

We hear that a large portion of the stock in Alexandria has already been sold to mills for later delivery, and if exports for the remainder of the season continue at the same rate as last year, it is expected that the whole of the crop will have been exported by the end of the season. Receipts of Egyptian cotton from the beginning of the season total 7,409,000 cantars, against 5,561,814 for the same period last year. On the other hand, exports to date come to 842,000 bales, the corresponding figure last year being 677,000 bales. Advices from Bolson are somewhat more favourable, although quotations for Egyptian yarns are irregular when tested.

CANTON TRADE NOTES.

The price of Fushun coal has fallen and there is an overstock in Hong Kong.

Large shipments of black tea are expected to arrive in the City shortly. Cheaper prices are anticipated.

Arrivals of cattle, pigs and poultry are short, resulting in higher prices. Prices of vegetables are, however, as usual.

Over six hundred and thirty chests of wolfram mined in the North River districts were recently exported to Hong Kong from Canton.

Since the fighting on the West River, very little salt has been exported to Wuchow from Canton. Current prices have risen to over a dollar a catty, the highest quotation on record.

Banknotes of the Central Bank of China have risen to about 78 per cent. of nominal value in Fatsan. In Canton on Thursday, the Central Bank Notes rose to 87 per cent. of their nominal value.

On account of the prolonged rainless season, the quantity of salt produced in Kwangtung is unusually large. But as a result of the military activities, when transportation has been rendered difficult, the market has been overstocked.

The perfume industry has been on the decline and exports have greatly decreased, due to the foreign competition. On Wednesday, only two hundred packages of powder and three hundred dozen tablets of toilet soap of native make were exported to Hong Kong and Wuchow respectively.

Hosiery has been doing exceedingly well in Canton during the last few years, and the number of factories has greatly increased. Native-made hose and stockings are by no means inferior in quality to those from abroad and prices are cheaper. According to the reports compiled by the Customs authorities, the quantity of Japanese hosiery imported is insignificant.

Silklen handkerchiefs, shawls etc. produced in Kwangtung are well-known to be unparalleled in quality and are exported to France, the United States and Canada in considerable quantities to the value of three million dollars annually. Despite the competition of Japanese and Italian merchants, the line of industry has been doing very well. There are over seventy firms in Canton engaged in the export and good profits are being made as there has been a tremendous demand from Europe and America.

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

H.K. Banks	11,225 buy.
Do. London	2133½ nom.
Chartered Banks	212½ buy.
Marseilles Banks, A.	213½ nom.
Do. Q.	214½ nom.
P. & O. Banks	294 nom.
East Asia Banks	1904 nom.
Canton Insurance	2850 buy.
Union Insurance	3365 sel.
North China Ins.	215.150 buy.
Yangtze Insurance	215.150 buy.
China Underwriters	2220 sel.
China Fire Insurance	2220 sel.
H.K. Fire Ins.	2775 nom.
Donghai Insurance	284 sel.
H.K. Steamships	215 sel.
H.K. Tugs	215 sel.
Indo-China (Pref.)	247½ buy.
Do. (Def.)	270 nom.
Shell Transport	271 nom.
Union Waterboats	222 nom.
Benguela	224 buy.
Kailan Mining Admin.	267½ buy.
Langkat (combined)	214.14 nom.
Do. (single)	214.14 nom.
S'hai Explorations	214.21 nom.
Shanghai Loans	214.44 sel.
Bauhe	284 nom.
Tonghai Mines	175 nom.
H.K. & W. Wharves	215½ buy, 123 sel.
H.K. & W. Docks	236 nom.
China Providents	244 buy, 240 sel.
Hongkows	215.150 nom.
New Engineering	215.150 buy.
Shanghai Docks	215.150 sel.
Two Options	215.150 sel.
Oriental Cottons	215.210 sel.
S'hai Cottons (old)	215.72 buy.
Do. (new)	215.33 buy.
H.K. & S. Hotels	28.80 nom.
H.K. Lands	264 nom.
Shanghai Lands	215.150 nom.
H.K. Tramways	215.150 nom.
H.K. Buses	215.150 buy.
Singapore Tractions	116 nom.
Do. (Pref.)	116 buy.
China Sugars	20 cts. nom.
Malayan Sugars	227 buy.
Canton Tea	215.150 buy.
Cement (combined)	215.150 buy, 210 sel.
Do. (old)	215.150 nom.
Do. (new)	215.150 nom.
United Abetion	25 buy.
Dairy Farms	218½ buy.
Watsons	218 sel.

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BERLIN EXCHANGE.

Berlin, May 10.—The stock exchange opened in an erratic tone on account of the continued scarcity of money and the fear that another increase of the discount rate must be expected. There were large offers with prices weakening in spite of a number of orders from America. Feeling remained nervous throughout. Frankfurt and Hamburg also report nervousness with little business being transacted.

Berlin exchange quotations:—	
New	4.2175.
London	20.462.
Paris	18.475.
Amsterdam	169.59.
Rome	22.09.

OPIUM SMUGGLER.

ARRESTED AT TOWNSVILLE.

Fifty tins of opium were found in the possession of James Cameron Fury, who was arrested at Townsville, Brisbane, when about to board a train for Cairns. Fury, who was afterward charged at the police court with having the opium in his possession, was fined £100, or in default six months imprisonment.

According to the police prosecutor, Fury smuggled the opium from the steamer Taiping, from Hong Kong.

Der A Wings	80 cts. buy.
Lase Oawford	2 sel.
Macintosh	218 buy.
Sincere	215.150 buy.
Wm. Powell	2355 nom.
H.K. Amusements	230 sel.
H.K. Constructions	215 buy.
H.K. Indus. G.S. Bonds	27½ buy.
H.K. Govt. Loans	212 prem. buy.
buy, buyers; sel, sellers; ea, sales; nom, nominal.	

NATIONAL WAR ON SCANDAL.

VICAR'S IDEA STARTS A CRUSADE.

A national campaign against scandal-mongering has been started, quite against his own desire by the vicar of Exhall, a quiet little midland village near Coventry.

The Rev. Frank Melville suggested in his parish magazine that his parishioners should form an anti-scandal club.

"I never thought anything would come of it," he said to a Press representative. "I meant it all right, but I wrote it half humorously. The next thing is, I receive letters from all over England congratulating me, and asking me to extend the club to cover the whole of the country. Some of the writers tell me their lives have been ruined by scandal."

Mr. Melville is a merry little Yorkshireman, with the sort of face that makes you feel cheerful just to look at it, and a lively manner that is effervescent with good humor.

"I Shall Go On With It."

"Now that this national movement has started itself I shall go on with it," he said. "The funny thing is my own people are the least keen about it of anybody. It is a mistake, however, to imagine that I am accusing my own village of being scandal-ridden."

Scandal-mongering is a terrible scourge that is responsible for more broken hearts and suicide than one cares to think of. Why, the first living I took as a clergyman I followed a man who had hanged himself, and in the last one I took my predecessor had strangled himself.

Mr. Melville, explaining the scheme, said:—

"People who are enrolled as members will wear badges. I have replied to the people who wrote to me, suggesting that they form local branches and sending them membership cards."

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INFANT KILLED.

TRODDEN ON BY HORSE.

An eight-week-old infant, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Dominish, was killed at Cawdor, near Camden, N.S.W. Mrs. Dominish had the baby in her arms, and was getting into a sulky, when the horse moved off. She fell, and when the horse backed it put its hoof on the child's head. The child was killed instantly.

HOME CRICKET.

KENT BEAT LEICESTER.

FREEMAN UNPLAYABLE.

[THROUGH BUTTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, May 18.

In the match against Kent, at Leicester, Leicestershire scored 60 in the first innings.

Kent responded with 133 runs. In the second innings Leicestershire scored 109, the play being marked by a remarkable bowling feat by A. P. Freeman, who accounted for no fewer than seven wickets for only 11 runs.

This left Kent with 78 to get to win, and this they did without losing a wicket.

Derbyshire v. Hampshire.

In their match at Portsmouth against Derbyshire, Hampshire batted first and scored 110 runs. T. B. Mitchell captured six wickets for 48 runs.

Derbyshire were dismissed for 99 runs, Kennedy taking nine wickets for 48.

Hampshire, in their second venture, scored 111.

Left with 122 runs to win, Derbyshire won the match by five wickets.

Gloucester v. Middlesex.

Gloucester beat Middlesex by 186 runs.

Scores:—

Gloucester, 190 (Robins, 3 for 69), and 321 for 4 wickets, declared, (Dipper, 111, Hammond, 134).

Middlesex, 70 (Goddard, 7 for 25), and 245 (Newman, 119). (Goddard took 6 for 95 in this innings).

Glamorgan v. Somerset.

Glamorgan won by 123 runs. Glamorgan 145 (White 6 for 43), and 221 (White 5 for 63); Somerset, 110 (Ryan 5 for 23), and 134.

CINEMA NEWS.

PICTURES COMING TO THE QUEEN'S.

"WICKEDNESS PREFERRED."

"Wickedness Preferred" is a comedy starring Lew Cody and Aileen Pringle which will be shown at the Queen's on Sunday and Monday.

Aileen Pringle as the wife encourages her husband to elope with an empty-headed young woman who, believing all he has written about himself, longs to be cast away with him upon a South Sea island. The elopement takes place, and the adventure soon finds his role of hero wearisome. The girl is disillusioned, especially when she sees him, trying to steal the last morsel of food from her to satisfy his own hunger. Mary McAllister has the role of the flapper.

The picture has been filmed against backgrounds of scenic beauty and has been handled capably from a directorial standpoint by Robert Hunter, George K. Arthur has a small but very funny role of a male gossip at a fashionable seaside hotel.

"The Port of Missing Girls."

A picture which strikes a new note in film-farce is "The Port of Missing Girls," which will be shown on Tuesday and Wednesday next.

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THE DERBY.

LATEST BETTING ON THE CLASSIC.

CRAGADOUR FAVOURITE.

A telegram, dated May 15, from one of the prominent bookmakers in England to a local sportsman gives the following figures on the Derby betting:—

	8-1
Mr. Jinks	10-1
Gay Day	10-1
Boats	12-1
Breeze	14-1
Hunter's Moor	20-1
Reedemoth	20-1

Mr. Jinks, who is standing at 10-1 won the Two Thousand Guineas by a head from Cragadour who is now favourite. Hunter's Moor on May 15, in the Newmarket Stakes defeated Mr. Jinks by a short head in an exciting finish.

The horse which finished third, Midlothian, who was a short head behind Mr. Jinks is not quoted in the telegram.

The telegram was apparently sent off before the race for the Newmarket Stakes was run.

CHAMPION HUNTER.

SHOT ON SHOWGROUND.

During the hunting contest at the Hawkbury Show Mr. G. Wilson's Arabo, a champion jumper, and a winner of many events at the Sydney Royal and other shows during the last eight years, fell and broke a leg.

Sergeant Morgan, of Windsor, was called into the ring and shot the animal in front of the crowded grandstand.

The rider of the horse, Cecil Wilson, was not hurt. The loss of the horse is a great blow to the owner.

HEALTH BULLETIN OF EASTERN PORTS.

The health bulletin of Eastern ports for the week ending May 11, 1929, is as follows:—

Plague.

Alexandria: 1 case.

Port Said: 1 case, 1 death.

Baghdad: 5 cases, 2 deaths.

Bassett: 2 deaths.

Bombay: 1 death.

Rangoon: 1 death.

Colombo: 2 cases, 2 deaths.

Bankok: 1 case, 1 death.

Phnom Penh: 1 case, 1 death.

Cholera.

Bassett: 22 deaths.

Calcutta: 174 deaths.

Bombay: 1 death.

Moulmein: 2 deaths.

Rangoon: 2 deaths.

Bankok: 66 cases, 34 deaths.

Phnom Penh: 5 cases, 4 deaths.

Saigon: 17 cases, 15 deaths.

Small-pox.

Aden: 3 cases, 3 deaths.

Bahrah: 9 cases, 1 death.

Bombay: 51 cases, 30 deaths.

Calcutta: 11 cases, 10 deaths.

Karachi: 24 cases, 15 deaths.

Madras: 30 cases, 14 deaths.

Moulmein: 2 cases, 2 deaths.

Nagpur: 1 case.

Rangoon: 1 case.

Vizagapatam: 1 case, 1 death.

Pondicherry: 1 death.

Batik Pagar: 8 cases, 1 death.

Macassar: 16 cases, 9 deaths.

Belawan Deli: 1 case, 1 death.

Haiphong: 2 cases.

Phnom Penh: 6 cases, 4 deaths.

Macao: 2 deaths.

Shanghai: 6 deaths.

Swatow: 19 deaths.

Cerebro-spinal Meningitis.

Shanghai: 34 deaths.

Tientsin: 10 deaths.

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TJIKEMBANG	S'HAU & AMOY	23rd May	25th May	BATAVIA
TJIMANOEK	DALNY, KLUNG, & AMOY	3rd June	5th June	MANILA, M'ISAN, & SOERABAYA
TJIKARANG	S'HAU & AMOY	3rd June	5th June	BATAVIA

NORTH BOUND.

STEAMERS	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE ON OR ABOUT	FOR
TJISALAK	JAVA, MAXASSAR, & AMOY	In Harbour	18th May	AMOT & N. CHINA
TJIKARANG	BATAVIA	22nd May	24th May	AMOT & S'HAU
TJITAROEM	JAVA, MAXASSAR, & AMOY	29th May	1st June	AMOT & N. CHINA
TJISARORA	BATAVIA	1st June	3rd June	AMOT & S'HAU
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Yuenang, Jardine's, May 23.
Huiyang, Douglas, May 24.
Anhui, B. & S., May 24.
Sunning, B. & S., May 28.
Tjitaroom, J.C.J.L., June 1.
Tjitaroom, J.C.J.L., June 3.
Santia, B.L., June 5.
Kumsang, Jardine's, June 18.

ANTWERP.

Afrika, Mannera, May 13.
Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., May 18.
Katori Maru, N.Y.K., June 1.
Lahore, P. & O., June 1.
City of Glasgow, Bank, June 18.
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Fulda, Melchers, June 1.
Malaya, Mannera, June 12.

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Franken, Melchers, May 20.
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Fulda, Melchers, June 1.

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Penang Maru, N.Y.K., May 28.
Sado Maru, N.Y.K., June 11.

BOSTON.

Pres. Hayes, Dollar, May 19.
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Bolton Castle, Doddwell's, May 30.
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BREMER.

Franken, Melchers, May 21.
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Franken, Melchers, May 20.
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Duisburg, J.C.J.L., June 1.
Fulda, Melchers, June 1.
Katori Maru, N.Y.K., June 1.
Lahore, P. & O., June 1.
Pres. Polk, Dollar, June 2.
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Delta, P. & O., June 8.
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Sado Maru, N.Y.K., June 15.
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Pres. Adams, Dollar, June 16.

COPENHAGEN.

Afrika, Mannera, May 13.
Delhi, Gilman's, June 5.
Malaya, Mannera, June 12.

DALNY.

Yingchow, B. & S., May 19.
Luchow, B. & S., May 23.
Sarpedon, B. & S., May 31.
Trier, Melchers, June 5.

DUTCH PORTS.

Afrika, Mannera, May 13.
Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., May 18.
Franken, Melchers, May 20.
Oldenburg, J.C.J.L., May 20.
Vogland, J.C.J.L., May 21.
Glenbeg, Jardine's, May 25.
Diomed, B.F., May 28.
Duisburg, J.C.J.L., June 1.
Fulda, Melchers, June 1.
Katori Maru, N.Y.K., June 1.
Lahore, P. & O., June 1.
Delhi, Gilman's, June 5.
City of Glasgow, Bank, June 10.
Sauerland, J.C.J.L., June 10.
Aeneas, B.F., June 11.
Malaya, Mannera, June 12.
Jeypore, P. & O., June 15.
Sauerland, J.C.J.L., June 15.

FOOCHOW.

Huiyang, Douglas, May 21.
Huiyang, Douglas, May 24.

GENOA.

Pres. Hayes, Dollar, May 19.
Franken, Melchers, May 20.
Vogland, J.C.J.L., May 21.
Toyooka Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.
Duisburg, J.C.J.L., June 1.
Fulda, Melchers, June 1.
Pres. Polk, Dollar, June 2.
Glaucus, B.F., June 3.
Sauerland, J.C.J.L., June 15.
Pres. Adams, Dollar, June 16.

GLASGOW.

Glaucus, B.F., June 3.
Aeneas, B.F., June 11.

GOTHENBURG.

Afrika, Mannera, May 13.
Delhi, Gilman's, June 5.
Malaya, Mannera, June 12.

HAIPHONG AND HOIHOW.

Tonkin, M.M., May 21.
Kwangchow, B. & S., May 22.
Linn, B. & S., May 23.
Chinhua, B. & S., May 28.

HAMBURG.

Afrika, Mannera, May 13.
Franken, Melchers, May 20.
Fulda, Melchers, June 1.
Malaya, Mannera, June 12.

HANKOW.

Comeliebank, Bank, June 3.
Neleus, B.F., June 5.
City of Mobile, Bank, June 17.

HARBOUR.

Afrika, Mannera, May 13.
Glaucus, B.F., June 3.
Malaya, Mannera, June 12.

HONOLULU.

Bokuyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 21.
Pres. McKinley, A.M.L., May 21.
Taiyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.
Ginyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 30.
Pres. Grant, Dollar, June 4.
Tenyo Maru, N.Y.K., June 12.

ILOILO.

Golden Sun, States S.S., May 16.
Iowa, States S.S., May 18.
Tacoma, States S.S., June 3.

JAPAN PORTS.

Main, Melchers, May 19.
Canton, Gilman's, May 19.
Fiume, Doddwell's, May 19.
Iyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 20.
Tydeus, B.F., May 20.
Angers, M.M., May 21.
Pres. McKinley, A.M.L., May 21.
Rossington Court, P. & O., May 21.
Tilawa, B.L., May 22.
Gurna, P. & O., May 23.
Siam, Mannera, May 23.
Tydeus, B.F., May 23.
Venezia, Doddwell's, May 23.
Yuenang, Jardine's, May 23.
Durban Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.
Rajputana, P. & O., May 24.
Medon, B.F., May 24.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., May 27.
Antilochus, B.F., May 27.
Asuka Maru, N.Y.K., May 28.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M.L., May 28.
Oldenburg, J.C.J.L., May 29.
Quarrington Court, J.C.J.L., May 29.
Taiyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 29.
Ginyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 30.
Awa Maru, N.Y.K., May 31.
Tyndarus, B.F., June 1.
General Mettinger, M.M., June 4.
Pres. Grant, A.M.L., June 4.
Emp. of France, C.P.S., June 5.
Santia, B.L., June 5.
Trier, Melchers, June 5.
Machon, B.F., June 9.
Saarlund, J.C.J.L., June 10.
Nippon, Doddwell's, June 11.
Pres. Lincoln, Dollar, June 11.
Tenyo Maru, N.Y.K., June 12.
Glenahane, Jardine's, June 14.
Lahn, Melchers, June 14.
Shidzuoka Maru, N.Y.K., June 17.
Kumsang, Jardine's, June 18.

JAVA PORTS.

Tjikini, J.C.J.L., May 22.
Tjikembang, J.C.J.L., May 23.
Tjikarang, J.C.J.L., June 5.
Tjimanok, J.C.J.L., June 5.

LIVERPOOL.

Toyooka Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.
Glaucus, B.F., June 3.

LONDON.

Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., May 18.
Glenbeg, Jardine's, May 25.
Morea, P. & O., May 25.
Diomed, B.F., May 28.
Lahore, P. & O., June 1.
Katori Maru, N.Y.K., June 1.
Delta, P. & O., June 8.
City of Glasgow, Bank, June 10.
Aeneas, B.F., June 11.
Jeypore, P. & O., June 15.

LOS ANGELES.

Pres. McKinley, A.M.L., May 21.
Bokuyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 21.
Golden Dragon, S.S.S., May 23.
Ginyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 30.
Pres. Grant, A.M.L., June 4.
Pres. Cleveland, Dollar, June 18.

MANILA.

Iowa, States S.S., May 19.
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, May 19.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M.L., May 21.
Vogland, J.C.J.L., May 21.
Kaga Maru, N.Y.K., May 22.
Tjikini, J.C.J.L., May 22.
Tjitaroom, J.C.J.L., May 23.
Emp. of France, C.P.S., May 23.
Fulda, Melchers, June 1.
Duisburg, J.C.J.L., June 1.
Pres. Polk, Dollar, June 2.
Tacoma, States S.S., June 3.
Pres. Lincoln, Dollar, June 4.
Neleus, B.F., June 5.
Tjitaroom, J.C.J.L., June 5.
Tjimanok, J.C.J.L., June 5.
Sauerland, J.C.J.L., June 15.
Pres. Adams, Dollar, June 16.
Changte, B. & S., June 18.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., June 19.

MARSEILLES.

Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., May 19.
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, May 19.
D'Artagnan, M.M., May 21.
Franken, Melchers, May 21.
Toyooka Maru, N.Y.K., May 21.
Vogland, J.C.J.L., May 21.
Morea, P. & O., May 25.
Diomed, B.F., May 28.
Duisburg, J.C.J.L., June 1.
Katori Maru, N.Y.K., June 1.
Lahore, P. & O., June 1.
Pres. Polk, Dollar, June 2.
Sphinx, M.M., June 4.
Delta, P. & O., June 8.
City of Glasgow, Bank, June 10.
Aeneas, B.F., June 11.
Jeypore, P. & O., June 15.
Sauerland, J.C.J.L., June 15.

NAPLES.

Pres. Hayes, Dollar, May 19.
Pres. Polk, Dollar, June 2.
Pres. Adams, Dollar, June 16.

NEWORWANG.

Yingchow, B. & S., May 19.
Luchow, B. & S., May 23.

NEW YORK, BOSTON, etc.

Pres. Hayes, Dollar, May 19.
Bolton Castle, Doddwell's, May 30.
Asuka Maru, N.Y.K., May 31.
Pres. Polk, Dollar, June 2.
Comeliebank, Bank, June 3.
Neleus, B.F., June 5.
Imperial Prince, Furness, June 6.
Pres. Adams, Dollar, June 16.
City of Mobile, Bank, June 17.

NORTH CHINA.

Tjikini, J.C.J.L., May 19.
Sarpedon, B.F., May 31.
Tjitaroom, J.C.J.L., June 1.
Trier, Melchers, June 5.

OSLO.

Franken, Melchers, May 20.
Main, Melchers, June 19.

PANAMA.

Rokuyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 21.
Ginyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 30.
Asuka Maru, N.Y.K., May 31.
Penang Maru, N.Y.K., May 30.
Akita Maru, N.Y.K., May 30.
Duisburg, J.C.J.L., June 1.
Fulda, Melchers, June 1.
Katori Maru, N.Y.K., June 1.
Lahore, P. & O., June 1.
Pres. Polk, Dollar, June 2.
Glaucus, B.F., June 3.
Sphinx, M.M., June 4.
Delta, P. & O., June 8.
Aeneas, B.F., June 11.
Sado Maru, N.Y.K., June 11.
Sado Maru, N.Y.K., June 15.
Jeypore, P. & O., June 15.
Sauerland, J.C.J.L., June 15.
Pres. Adams, Dollar, June 16.

PENANG.

Hosang, Jardine's, May 18.
Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., May 18.
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, May 19.
Talam, B.L., May 22.
Gurna, P. & O., May 23.
Siam, Mannera, May 23.
Tydeus, B.F., May 23.
Venezia, Doddwell's, May 23.
Yuenang, Jardine's, May 23.
Durban Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.
Rajputana, P. & O., May 24.
Medon, B.F., May 24.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., May 27.
Antilochus, B.F., May 27.
Asuka Maru, N.Y.K., May 28.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M.L., May 28.
Oldenburg, J.C.J.L., May 29.
Quarrington Court, J.C.J.L., May 29.
Taiyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 29.
Ginyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 30.
Awa Maru, N.Y.K., May 31.
Tyndarus, B.F., June 1.
General Mettinger, M.M., June 4.
Pres. Grant, A.M.L., June 4.
Emp. of France, C.P.S., June 5.
Santia, B.L., June 5.
Trier, Melchers, June 5.
Machon, B.F., June 9.
Saarlund, J.C.J.L., June 10.
Nippon, Doddwell's, June 11.
Pres. Lincoln, Dollar, June 11.
Tenyo Maru, N.Y.K., June 12.
Glenahane, Jardine's, June 14.
Lahn, Melchers, June 14.
Shidzuoka Maru, N.Y.K., June 17.
Kumsang, Jardine's, June 18.

PLYMOUTH.

Morea, P. & O., May 25.

PORTLAND.

Pennsylvania, States S.S., May 18.

RABAT.

Bremerhaven, Melchers, June 1.

RANGOON.

Akita Maru, N.Y.K., May 30.

SAIGON.

D'Artagnan, M.M., May 21.
Sphinx, M.M., June 4.

SANDAKAN.

Maussang, Jardine's, May 24.
Tanda, E. & A., May 31.
Hinsang, Jardine's, June 4.

SAN FRANCISCO.

Pennsylvania, States S.S., May 18.
Pres. McKinley, A.M.L., May 21.
Golden Dragon, S.S.S., May 23.
Taiyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 29.
Ginyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 30.
Pres. Grant, A.M.L., June 4.
Tenyo Maru, N.Y.K., June 12.
Pres. Cleveland, Dollar, June 18.

SCANDINAVIAN PORTS.

Afrika, Mannera, May 13.
Delhi, Gilman's, June 5.
Malaya, Mannera, June 12.

SEATTLE.

Iyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 20.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M.L., May 23.
Tyndarus, B.F., June 1.
Pres. Lincoln, Dollar, June 11.
Shidzuoka Maru, N.Y.K., June 17.

SHANGHAI.

Main, Melchers, May 13.
Canton, Gilman's, May 19.
Fiume, Doddwell's, May 19.
Kwaishang, Jardine's, May 19.

SHANGHAI—(Continued).

Ninghai, B. & S., May 19.
Yingchow, B. & S., May 19.
Iyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 20.
Medon, B.F., May 20.
Siam, Mannera, May 23.
Tydeus, B.F., May 23.
Angers, M.M., May 23.
Pres. McKinley, A.M.L., May 23.
Rossington Court, P. & O., May 23.
Shantung, B. & S., May 23.
Sungshai Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.
Hopsang, Jardine's, May 23.
Durban Maru, N.Y.K., May 23.
Tacoma, States S.S., May 23.
Siam, Mannera, May 23.
Tea, B. & S., May 23.
Tydeus, B.F., May 23.
Venezia, Doddwell's, May 23.
Rajputana, P. & O., May 24.
Medon, B.F., May 24.
Luchow, B. & S., May 24.
Suigang, B. & S., May 24.
Yatsing, Jardine's, May 24.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., May 27.
Antilochus, B.F., May 27.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M.L., May 28.
Sunning, B. & S., May 28.
Hopsang, Jardine's, May 29.
Oldenburg, J.C.J.L., May 29.
Quarrington Court, J.C.J.L., May 29.
Taiyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 29.
Awa Maru, N.Y.K., May 31.
Sarpedon, B. & S., May 31.
General Mettinger, M.M., June 4.
Pres. Grant, A.M.L., June 4.
Emp. of France, C.P.S., June 5.
Trier, Melchers, June 5.
Kueichow, B. & S., June 8.
Delta, P. & O., June 8.
Saarlund, J.C.J.L., June 10.
Nippon, Doddwell's, June 11.
Pres. Lincoln, Dollar, June 11.
Tenyo Maru, N.Y.K., June 12.
Glenahane, Jardine's, June 14.
Lahn, Melchers, June 14.
City of Athens, Bank, June 18.
Shidzuoka Maru, N.Y.K., June 17.
Pres. Cleveland, Dollar, June 18.

SINGAPORE.

Hosang, Jardine's, May 18.
Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., May 18.
Kingman, B. & S., May 19.
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, May 19.
D'Artagnan, M.M., May 21.
Franken, Melchers, May 21.
Talam, B.L., May 22.
Gurna, P. & O., May 23.
Kwangchow, B. & S., May 23.
Van Heuts, J.C.J.L., May 23.
Glenbeg, Jardine's, May 25.
Kutsang, Jardine's, May 25.
Morea, P. & O., May 25.
Anhui, B. & S., May 28.
Diomed, B.F., May 28.
Penang Maru, N.Y.K., May 28.
Akita Maru, N.Y.K., May 30.
Duisburg, J.C.J.L., June 1.
Fulda, Melchers, June 1.
Katori Maru, N.Y.K., June 1.
Lahore, P. & O., June 1.
Pres. Polk, Dollar, June 2.
Glaucus, B.F., June 3.
Sphinx, M.M., June 4.
Delta, P. & O., June 8.
Aeneas, B.F., June 11.
Sado Maru, N.Y.K., June 11.
Sado Maru, N.Y.K., June 15.
Jeypore, P. & O., June 15.
Sauerland, J.C.J.L., June 15.
Pres. Adams, Dollar, June 16.

SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

Wakasa Maru, N.Y.K., June 7.
Wakasa Maru, N.Y.K., June 7.

SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

Ginyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 30.
Wakasa Maru, N.Y.K., June 7.

SWATOW.

Hellas, Thoresen's, May 19.
Kingman, B. & S., May 19.
Kwaishang, Jardine's, May 19.
Ninghai, B. & S., May 19.
Kwangchow, B. & S., May 19.
Huiyang, Douglas, May 21.
Hopsang, Jardine's, May 22.
Tea, B. & S., May 23.
Anhui, B. & S., May 23.
Helios, Thoresen's, May 28.
Kalgan, B. & S., May 28.
Suigang, B. & S., May 28.
Yatsing, Jardine's, May 28.
Hopsang, Jardine's, May 29.
Sarpedon, B.F., June 2.
Hirundo, Thoresen's, June 2.
Kueichow, B. & S., June 8.
Hiram, Thoresen's, June 9.

TAKAO.

Sarpedon, B.F., May 31.

TIENTSIN.

Cheongshing, Jardine's, May 21.
Huichow, B. & S., May 23.
Trier, Melchers, June 5.
Kueichow, B. & S., June 8.

TRIESTE AND VENICE.

Rosandra, Doddwell's, May 29.
Romolo, Doddwell's, June 7.

TSINGTAO.

Kwaishang, Jardine's, May 19.
Ninghai, B. & S., May 19.
Shantung, B. & S., May 21.
Hopsang, Jardine's, May 22.
Suigang, B. & S., May 23.
Sunning, B. & S., May 23.
Hopsang, Jardine's, May 29.
Trier, Melchers, June 5.
Sarpedon, B.F., May 30.

VANCOUVER, B.C.

Tyndarus, B.F., June 1.
Emp. of France, C.P.S., June 5.

VICTORIA, B.C.

Iyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 20.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M.L., May 23.
Tyndarus, B.F., June 1.
Emp. of France, C.P.S., June 5.
Pres. Lincoln, Dollar, June 11.
Shidzuoka Maru, N.Y.K., June 17.

VLADIVOSTOK.

Canton, Gilman's, May 19.
Quarrington Court, J.C.J.L., May 29.
Antilochus, B.F., May 29.
Glenahane, Jardine's, June 14.

WELFARE.

Huichow, B. & S., May 23.
Sarpedon, B.F., May 31.
Kueichow, B. & S., June 8.

EXPECTED ARRIVALS AND MOVEMENTS.

Achilles due from Europe June 21.
Aeneas due from Shanghai June 18.
Afrika due from Shanghai May 17.
Akita Maru due from Japan May 23.
Alipore due from Europe June 18.
Altai Maru due from Singapore May 14.
Amur Maru left for Singapore May 13.
Andes Maru due June 8.
Angers due from Europe May 21.
Antilochus due from Europe May 27.
Arafura due from Australia July 17.
Asphalion due from Japan June 2.
Asuka Maru due from Singapore May 27.
Atsuta Maru due from Japan June 14.
Automedon due from Europe June 3.
Bellerophon due from Europe June 13.
Benrines due from Europe May 25.
Bertram Rickmers due May 22.
Bessa due June 8.
Bokuyo Maru due from Singapore May 21.
Canton due from Hamburg May 17.
Cape

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AMOT, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SHANTUNG"	On 21st May,	5 p.m.
HOIHOW, SINGAPORE & BANGKOK	"KIUNGCHOW"	On 22nd May,	10 a.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"TEAN"	On 23rd May,	8 a.m.
WAIHAI, CHIAO & TIENTSIN	"HUICHOW"	On 23rd May,	10 a.m.
HOIHOW, PAKOI & HATPHONG	"LINAN"	On 23rd May,	10 a.m.
HOIHOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SUIYANG"	On 26th May,	8 a.m.
AMOT, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"ANHUI"	On 26th May,	8 a.m.
HOIHOW & BANGKOK	"CHIN HUA"	On 26th May,	10 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KALGAN"	On 26th May,	Noon
SANTAO, SHAN, NEWYANG & DALY	"LUCHOW"	On 26th May,	3 p.m.
AMOT, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SUNNING"	On 28th May,	5 p.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI, WAIHAI, CHIAO & TIENTSIN	"KUEICHOW"	On 6th June,	10 a.m.

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	Hour	Barometer at Sea Level	Winds	Direction	Force	Winds	Direction	Force	Winds	Direction	Hour	Barometer at Sea Level	Winds	Direction	Force	Winds	Direction	Force	Winds	Direction
Wladivostok	12	29.93	760.8	48	...	SE	3	1	6	...	29.91	759.6	43	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nemuro	11	30.16	766.0	...	...	SSE	1	...	...	...	29.98	761.5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hokodate	...	30.03	762.5	...	...	N	1	...	...	...	29.98	761.5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tokio	...	30.00	762.0	...	...	S	1	...	...	...	29.98	761.5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kochi	...	29.94	760.5	...	...	E	1	...	...	...	29.98	761.0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nagasaki	...	29.98	761.4	...	...	ESE	1	...	...	...	29.90	759.5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kagoshima	...	29.96	761.0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.90	759.5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Oshima	...	29.92	760.0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.78	756.5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Naha	...	29.88	759.0	...	...	NE	4	...	...	...	29.73	755.0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ishigakijima	...	29.74	755.5	...	...	SW	1	...	...	...	29.73	755.0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bonin Island	...	29.90	759.5	...	...	S	2	...	...	...	29.88	759.0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chefoo	15	29.88	759.0	77	46	S	2	0	6	...	29.79	761.7	47	87	SW	2	0	6	...	...
Shanghai	14	29.88	759.0	64	94	ESE	1	...	...	...	29.85	758.1	59	98	E	4	0	6	...	...
Gutzlaff	...	29.95	760.7	62	100	SE	2	...	...	...	29.89	759.2	58	100	ENE	4	0	6	...	...
Sharp Peak	...	29.72	754.9	71	90	ENE	2	...	...	...	29.66	753.3	71	90	SE	1	0	6	...	...
Amoy	...	29.73	755.1	77	95	SSE	4	0	6	...	29.70	754.4	75	98	SE	1	0	6	...	...
Swatow	...	29.74	755.4	75	100	E	1	0	6	...	29.72	754.8	73	98	...	...	...	...	...	...
Taiheku	11	29.78	756.3	81	84	NW	2	0	5	...	29.79	756.6	77	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Taihu	...	29.84	757.8	81	...	SSE	2	...	...	...	29.79	756.6	75	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tainan	...	29.88	757.5	82	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.78	756.3	75	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Koshun	...	29.81	757.2	90	...	WNW	2	0	...	...	29.78	756.3	75	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pescadore	...	29.82	757.5	81	...	SSW	2	0	...	...	29.75	755.7	61	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hong Kong	14	29.71	754.6	79	87	E	2	0	6	...	29.73	755.1	81	90	SW	2	0	6	...	...
Gap Rock	...	29.72	754.9	...	...	ENE	3	0	...	...	29.74	755.4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Macao	...	29.67	753.6	81	90	SE	2	0	...	...	29.69	754.2	79	95	WSW	4	0	...	...	...
Hoihow	...	29.61	752.1	94	63	NW	1	...	...	...	29.77	756.1	80	96	SSW	2	0	6	...	...
Prata Island	...	29.60	751.8	85	83	SSW	1	...	...	...	29.72	754.8	81	96	SE	2	0	6	...	...
Phulien	16	29.67	753.6	90	...	SE	2	0	...	...	29.74	755.4	84	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tourane	...	29.75	755.7	90	...	S	4	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cape St. James	...	29.75	755.7	90	...	S	4	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Basco	14	29.75	755.7	86	75	W	2	0	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Aparri	...	29.74	755.4	86	68	NE	4	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tuguegarao	...	29.72	755.8	88	71	S	1	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vigan	...	29.25	755.7	90	57	W	4	0	...	...	29.82	757.5	77	92	...	...	...	...	...	...
Manila	...	29.24	755.4	90	63	SW	4	0	...	...	29.82	757.5	77	94	SW	1	0	...	...	...
Legaspi	...	29.74	755.4	90	60	NE	4	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Calbayog	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tacolban	...	29.78	756.8	84	72	S	2	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Daile	...	29.78	756.8	82	77	SW	4	0	...	...	29.84	757.8	82	89	S	4	0	...	...	...
Cebu	...	29.79	756.6	81	76	SW	2	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
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Saipan	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Guam	12.22	29.79	756.6	...	...	E	2	0	4.23	...	29.84	757.8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Yap	11.00	29.80	756.9	...	...	ENE	4	0	5	...	29.85	758.2	74	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pelew	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.85	758.2	74	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ponape	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.81	758.7	77	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Labuan	14	29.79	756.6	88	84	NE	4	0	6	...	29.84	757.9	78	86	SW	2	0	6	...	...

May 17d. 11h. 05m.—The anticyclone remains to the east of Japan, and has weakened considerably. A trough of low pressure extends from S. China across Formosa to the Pacific.

Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.12 inch. Total since January 1, 9.67 inches, against an average of 16.97 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON ON THE 18th.

Forecast.	Forecast.
1.—Formosa Channel	2.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Lamock
3.—Hong Kong to Gap Rock	4.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Hainan

S.W. or variable winds, moderate; fair to showery.

C. W. JEFFRIES, Director.

HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, May 17.

Previous Day	On Date	At Date
Day	10 a.m.	4 p.m.
Barometer ... 29.68	29.77	29.71
Temperature ... 79	84	84
Humidity ... 87	88	76
Wind ...	E	W
Direction ...	E	WSW
Force ... 2	3	0
Weather ...	O	O
Rain ...	0.00	0.12

Highest open-air Temperature, 16.83

Lowest open-air Temperature, 17.81

B=Blue sky; C=Cloudy; D=Drizzle; F=Fog; L=Lightning; M=Mist; O=Overcast; P=Passing showers; Q=Qualls; R=Rain; T=Thunder.

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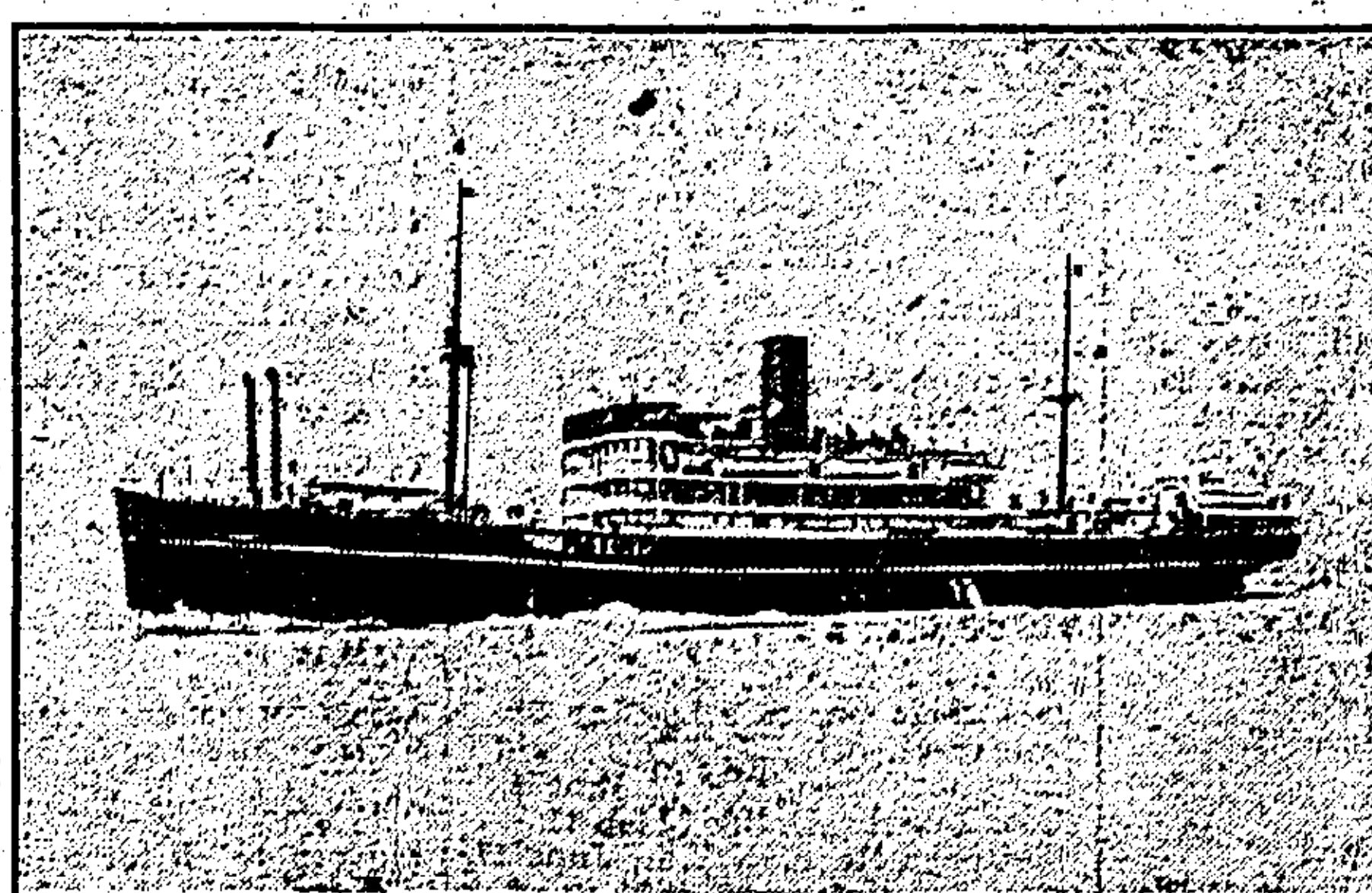
High Water.		Low Water.	
Day of Week	Time	Day of Week	Time
Sat. 18	7 4	Sun. 19	7 21
Sun. 19	7 12	Mon. 20	7 12
Mon. 20	7 12	Tues. 21	7 12
Tues. 21	7 12	Wed. 22	7 12
Wed. 22	7 12	Thur. 23	7 12
Thur. 23	7 12	Fri. 24	7 12

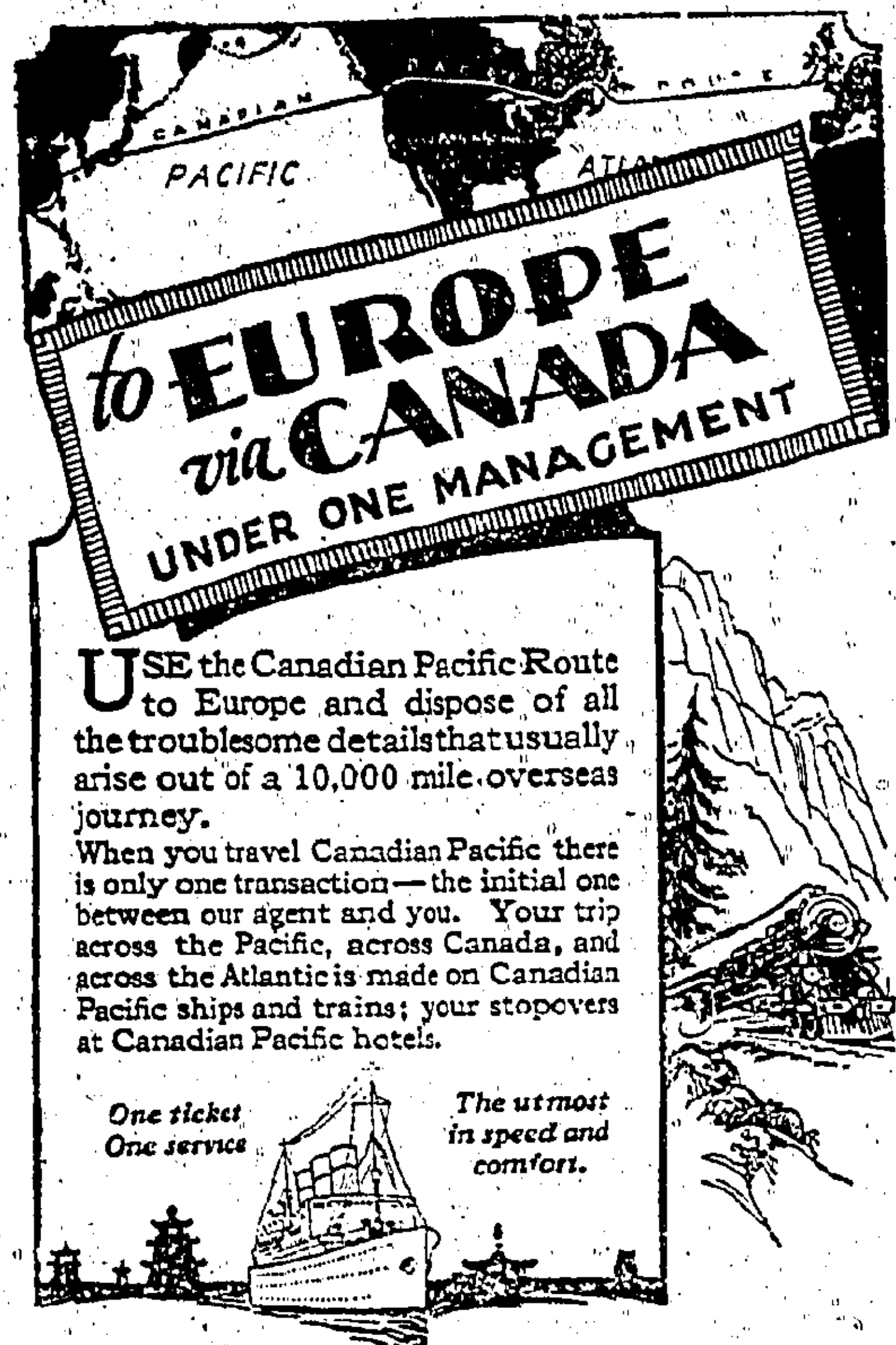
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YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS.

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14,600 TONS.

During the 24 hours ended at 8 a.m. yesterday the returns to the Harbour Office of cargo carried by vessels arriving in Hong Kong were as follows:—

British	Cargo for H.K.	Through Ports.
King Yuan, Singapore	150	—
Ninghai, Canton	—	230
Yingchow, Shanghai	300	1,500
	—	450 — 1,430
Japanese		
Kamo Maru, Japan	92	3,635
Kasado Maru, Japan	757	3,224
Tonan Maru, Antwerp	—	5,300
Toshu Maru, Keesing	1,900	1,050
	—	2,749 — 13,309
Portuguese		
Wing Lee, K. C. Wan	300	—
	—	300 —
Chinese		
Cheung On, Shanghai	8	—
Shiu Hing, Macao	20	—
	—	28 —
Total	3,527	14,639

Arrivals and Departures.

The arrivals and departures during the period under review were as follows:—

	Arr.	Dep.
British	3	7
Japanese	4	5
Norwegian	0	2
Chinese	3	2
Danish	0	1
French	0	1
Total	10	19

ASIATIC DECK PASSENGERS.

The following vessels brought Asiatic deck passengers to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday:—

King Yuan (Br.) Singapore, Swatow	37
Yingchow (Br.) Shanghai, Amoy	3
Wing Lee (Portuguese) K. C. Wan	219
Cheung On (Chinese) Shanghai	190
Total	379

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DAILY WATERFRONT NEWS.

MARINE COURT FLASHES.

[BY "NAUTILUS"]

Leung Ngau was in a festive mood, so regardless of the fact that he was immediately in front of the Harbour Office, he let go a full string of crackers. However, the authorities took exception to this, so he appeared before the Marine Magistrate for creating a nuisance. When Leung Ngau left Court minus \$10 he was a sadder but wiser man!

Now and again one hears of a case of some people taking the law into their own hands. This happened when the master of a motor-schooner tried to leave the harbour without a clearance. He was "caught napping" and when he could not furnish a good excuse for doing so he was fined \$100 by the Hon. Comdr. G. F. Holt, R.N. If the money was not forthcoming he would have to "do" three months.

"Did you have permission given you to board the Ho Sang?" asked the Magistrate.

"No—but

"I will not have any 'buts'—\$10 or 10 days."

The mistress of a fishing boat claimed that she dropped some "articles" into the sea, so in order to "get them back" she used grapplings.

This was against all rules and regulations as she had no permission to do so. "10 or 10 days," said the Magistrate, "and let this be a lesson to you."

It is illegal to moor within 100 yards of the sea wall of the Naval Yard but Chan Cho did not appear to know that. The truth was broken rather abruptly to him when he was fined \$10 with the alternative of 10 days at the Marine Court yesterday.

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"RAJPUTANA"	15,568	22nd June	Bombay, Marseilles & London
"PERIM"	7,648	29th June	Marseilles, London & Hull
"KASHGAR"	9,005	6th July	Marseilles, London and Hull
"MIRZAPORE"	6,715	9th July	Straits, Colombo & Bombay
"ALIPORE"	5,273	19th July	Straits, Colombo & Bombay
"KHYBER"	9,114	30th July	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"KIDDERPORE"	5,334	2nd Aug.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay
"KHYBER"	9,114	3rd Aug.	Marseilles, London and Hull
"MALWA"	10,980	17th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"KASHMIR"	8,985	14th Sept.	Marseilles, London and Hull
"MOREA"	10,865	24th Sept.	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"MANTUA"	10,946	2nd Oct.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay
"MIRZAPORE"	6,715	9th Oct.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay
"ALIPORE"	5,273	12th Oct.	Marseilles and London
"KARMALA"	9,128	23rd Oct.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay
"KIDDERPORE"	5,334	28th Oct.	Marseilles and London
"KALYAN"	9,144	30th Oct.	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"MADEIRA"	11,130	7th Nov.	Marseilles and London
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"RAJPUTANA"	15,568	24th May	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	4th June	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
"SANTALA"	7,754	5th June	Amoy, Moji, Kobe, Yoko, & Osaka.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	7th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"ROSSINGTON COURT"	—	10th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"MIRZAPORE"	6,715	10th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe.
"ALIPORE"	5,273	13th June	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
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